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Subject: Re: AFN Financial Woes

Thanks for this update Rhonda. I intend to mostly listen tomorrow during AFN's board mtg... some of us will be calling in to participate since their invitation was last minute and most of us can't be in Anchorage for tomorrow's mtg. Sounds like Julie Kitka wants to hear our legislative priorities tomorrow, though I'm sure she heard the State of State.

Very interesting the changes AFN may be forced to undertake soon. Sounds like some of the Native Corp leadership changes that we hear rumored about also. Thank you

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So what happened?

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Also, AFN dues, paid by the regional Native Corporations, have not changed much over the years to reflect the growing expenses.

AFN will ask Native Corporations to increase their dues. And while they may do so, it's not likely they will bail out the organization completely.

AFN is definitely in a tight spot.

Irwin says Native Corporations are now feeling their might -- enjoying unprecedented growth and many don't feel that AFN is needed as it once was. He put it this way, "The children are turning their parents out in the cold."

In talking with others who follow Native politics--

This financial crisis has precipitated a leadership tussle-- a push to get longtime AFN President Julie Kitka to step aside.

AFN under Kitka's leadership, has done a virtuoso job of forwarding the Native agenda. It remains to be seen if she'll weather this.

Senator Albert Kookesh's office has been quiet about AFN's finances. Kookesh is co-chair of AFN, along with Tim Towarak, who once held the Rural Advisor position in the Knowles administration.

We may know more about what direction AFN's leadership takes, after AFN's board meeting tomorrow (Thursday).

AFN has invited the Governor, Commissioner Emil Notti, Frank Bailey and me to attend -- in person or via teleconference.

So what's the administration's role in this? Not much right now, except to recognize that AFN is struggling, to stay tuned in and supportive.

For the state, a weakened AFN does not bode well.

Although AFN has sometimes clashed with the state on issues like subsistence, AFN, in its forty years, has done much to bring about consensus in Rural Alaska and furthered many good causes.

The only other statewide Native organization, the Alaska Inter-Tribal Council, has not had AFN's resources, nor its success. It has also had a more adversarial relationship with the state.

In recent years, AFN has been working hard with the state and federal government to promote economic development in villages.

By bringing in the World Bank and the Alaska Marketplace Program, AFN has done some good work. There is more awareness now about the basic financial infrastructure lacking in Rural Alaska.

As this administration attempts to strengthen public safety in Rural Alaska, combat sexual abuse, promote healthy lifestyles, deal with climate change and lower the cost of energy, it will need many partners, as well as AFN's expertise and support.

I will attempt to attend the AFN board meeting via telephone.

It would be great if Commissioner Emil Notti could be there in person. When Emil ran AFN in its early days, he worked out of a small BIA office with a phone and typewriter. He would be a great resource for AFN during this time of restructuring.

He knows the organization as an insider and as a founding father.

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He called us too I just found out! So you're not in trouble for any leaks.

Janice and others even worked on this for a second.

Funny

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Lt. Governor says nope! Darn

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To: Governor Sarah Palin
To: Sean Parnell
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Ok! But you see I did tell Sharon, right? I knew she'd get a kick out of like I did.
Sorry ;)

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To: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>

Cc: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: RE: Sen. Stevens

NOOOOOOOO!!! Resist the urge!!

I don't want leaks coming from me...to the governor...to you....to her....

I know it's fun, but...we need a pipeline of communication there and that
leak would destroy. Thanks.

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Subject: Casey

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I reminded him of that - so did Nizich. It was an odd meeting with Max Miner in there who didn't seem on exactly the same page as Darwin.

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Date: Wed, 20 Feb 2008 14:59:23

To: ftb907@yahoo.com, gov.sarah@yahoo.com, krisandclark@yahoo.com

Cc: "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>, "Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>, "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>, "Leschper, Beth (GOV)" <beth.leschper@alaska.gov>, ivyfrye@yahoo.com

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Also, AFN dues, paid by the regional Native Corporations, have not changed much over the years to reflect the growing expenses.

AFN will ask Native Corporations to increase their dues. And while they may do so, it's not likely they will bail out the organization completely.

AFN is definitely in a tight spot.

Irwin says Native Corporations are now feeling their might -- enjoying unprecedented growth and many don't feel that AFN is needed as it once was. He put it this way, "The children are turning their parents out in the cold."

In talking with others who follow Native politics--

This financial crisis has precipitated a leadership tussle-- a push to get longtime AFN President Julie Kitka to step aside.

AFN under Kitka's leadership, has done a virtuoso job of forwarding the Native agenda. It remains to be seen if she'll weather this.

Senator Albert Kookesh's office has been quiet about AFN's finances. Kookesh is co-chair of AFN, along with Tim Towarak, who once held the Rural Advisor position in the Knowles administration.

We may know more about what direction AFN's leadership takes, after AFN's board meeting tomorrow (Thursday).

AFN has invited the Governor, Commissioner Emil Notti, Frank Bailey and me to attend -- in person or via teleconference.

So what's the administration's role in this? Not much right now, except to recognize that AFN is struggling, to stay tuned in and supportive.

For the state, a weakened AFN does not bode well.

Although AFN has sometimes clashed with the state on issues like subsistence, AFN, in its forty years, has done much to bring about consensus in Rural Alaska and furthered many good causes.

The only other statewide Native organization, the Alaska Inter-Tribal Council, has not had AFN's resources, nor its success. It has also had a more adversarial relationship with the state.

In recent years, AFN has been working hard with the state and federal government to promote economic development in villages.

By bringing in the World Bank and the Alaska Marketplace Program, AFN has done some good work. There is more awareness now about the basic financial infrastructure lacking in Rural Alaska.

As this administration attempts to strengthen public safety in Rural Alaska, combat sexual abuse, promote healthy lifestyles, deal with climate change and lower the cost of energy, it will need many partners, as well as AFN's expertise and support.

I will attempt to attend the AFN board meeting via telephone.

It would be great if Commissioner Emil Notti could be there in person. When Emil ran AFN in its early days, he worked out of a small BIA office with a phone and typewriter. He would be a great resource for AFN during this time of restructuring.

He knows the organization as an insider and as a founding father.

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 1:53 PM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

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From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 12:02 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Konstantin Vulkov
address: 82, Dondukov blvd. Floor 4 Sofia OS 1504

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor,

My name is Konstantin Vulkov and I am Program Director of the biggest and most listened to Bulgarian private radio station, Darik Radio.

Darik is a news/current affairs/talk station, based in Bulgaria's capital Sofia with 17 regional offices accross the country.

I would like to make a phone interview with you for the Bulgarian Darik Radio. I am especially interested by your anti-corruption drives as corruption is the biggest problem in Bulgaria.

Could you please advice whether this is possible and how can I send some more information regarding my request.

Many thanks in advance.

Warmest regards,

Konstantin Vulkov

Program Director

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From: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com> [gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 1:00 PM
To: John Katz
Subject: Fw: this weekend...

Fyi. We're hooking up with McCain at NGA to speak on Ak issues.

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Date: Wed, 20 Feb 2008 20:59:19

To: "Nick Ayers" <NAyers@RGA.ORG>, "Rick Perry" <rperry08@RGA.ORG>

Cc: "Kris Perry" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>, "Janice Mason" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>

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To: McBride; Rhonda (GOV)
Subject: Fw: Dyson

This could dovetail w/Dyson's ideas:

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From: "PARNELL, S (GOV sponsored)" <sr.parnell@alaska.gov>

Date: Wed, 20 Feb 2008 10:58:03

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: FW: Dyson

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She wanted to see whether you or I would be willing to organize (with no fanfare) a meeting of about 5-7 people from various regions of the state to discuss issues of foster care, sexual assault & molestation, etc. in the village and to talk about strategies for addressing it. She believes strongly that the 3-5 people meeting should be Alaska Natives and that a facilitator for the meeting would be helpful.

Perhaps the concerns addressed by Privileged or could dovetail with whatever your staff writes to address Sen. Dyson's request for the Alaska Native Commission.

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Wed 2/20/2008 9:44 AM

To: Mason, Janice L (GOV); McBride, Rhonda (GOV); PARNELL, S (GOV sponsored)

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Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Kelly; Russell T (GOV); Ruaro; Randall P (GOV)
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Talis says Dyson is known for writing scathing reprimands to admin. He did the same thing to Murkowski's folks - but his Native Commission idea is still good. Just fyi.

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From: frank bailey <ftb907@yahoo.com>

Date: Wed, 20 Feb 2008 10:58:37

To: Janice Mason <janice.mason@alaska.gov>, "Rhonda \ (GOV\) McBride" <rhonda.mcbride@alaska.gov>, Sean Personal <sr.parnell@alaska.gov>

Cc: gov.sarah@yahoo.com, kris_perry@gov.state.ak.us

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To: Smith; Lynne M (GOV)
Subject: FW: News from TravelAlaska.com - February 2008

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From: Daniel Berry [mailto:bigdabber@hotmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 8:50 AM
To: chief justice; Dave shaner; Donna Lee; evelyn berry; Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored); George Bush; Jen Berry; JoAnn Barker; Marlene; paul Hollenback; Robert M. (Mike) Duncan; wayne sosin
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Yesterday, Today, TomorrowDaniel A. Berry

> To: bigdabber@hotmail.com
> Subject: News from TravelAlaska.com - February 2008
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> It will be a few months before spring arrives in Alaska, but locals aren't sweating it (so to speak). March brings some of the state's most exciting events, like the Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race and the World Ice Art Championships, to name a few. As the countdown to the summer season begins, there's a lot to look forward to in the summer of 2008.

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> New ports, new ships

> With the number of cruise passengers to Alaska rising steadily since 2002, it's no surprise there are a few new ships in the water. Princess Cruises adds an eighth ship to its fleet this year, which will run a new extended route including calls in Kodiak, Valdez and Seward. Kodiak and Valdez have had cruise ships call in the past, but neither were on 2007 itineraries, and both offer cultural and recreational highlights that set them apart from other ports. Kodiak has a strong Russian cultural influence, and the oft-repeated description of Valdez as "Little Switzerland" only begins to convey its stunning natural setting. Silversea Cruises will bring the Silver Shadow, an ultra-luxury cruise ship, back in 2008 and 2009, after a year off last year. And American Safari Cruises will introduce a new 36-guest yacht sailing on an Alaska itinerary this summer. For more information about cruising Alaska, visit TravelAlaska.com's cruising pages

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> Whistle stop service reaches the Chugach

> Alaska's Chugach National Forest is the nation's second-largest national forest and a source of endless recreational opportunities. Now, the Alaska Railroad is making it even easier to access through a new-in-2008 service designed to bring guests to the heart of the forest. The Alaska Railroad is laying the groundwork for a series of five backcountry "whistle stop" stations to be built in the forest. The first, at Spencer Glacier, opened late last summer and includes a covered debarking area, viewing area, established trails, guided hikes with Forest Service personnel and campsites. The remaining four stations will be built over the next few years and the trail system will be developed to connect some of the stations. This will give visitors access to Alaska's backcountry without the hassle of packing in equipment or securing permits independently. For more information about rail travel in Alaska, go to TravelAlaska.com's rail pages %20ac8cb79756alf0f57638ae0a6&iid=4477&taf=0&direct=1467&issue=4877>.

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> Other new developments in Alaska

> Throughout the state, new facilities and attractions are being introduced to better serve visitors. Here's a look at what 2008 will bring for Alaska visitors:

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> * Late summer 2008 will see the opening of the Morris Thompson Cultural and Visitors Center. The new 35,000-square foot center will provide visitor information and trip planning services; showcase the local Athabascan culture; house interpretive exhibits and a theater; and act as a community-gathering place.

> * In Denali National Park, a completely renovated Eielson Visitor Center will open for the first time since 2004. The National Park Service hopes the center will be the first building in Alaska and in the national park system to be certified platinum under the U.S. Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) program.

> * In 2008, after two years of exploratory work, birding tours in Southwest Alaska will begin in June. Packages can be booked through Wilderness Birding Adventures or Kuskokwim Wilderness Adventures.

> * For hikers in the Matanuska-Susitna Valley, Meekin's Air Service and Alaska Wilderness Trails will team up to offer backpacking tours in the Sheep Mountain area.

> * Within the Wild, a Southcentral Alaska-based company, will offer female travelers a new "Women in the Wilderness" fly-fishing trip option.

> * Alaska Park Connection, a motorcoach bus service, will introduce daily service between Fairbanks and Denali National Park. Schedules and rates are available online at AlaskaCoach.com.

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Subject: Becker Letter for Solicitor General Feb 20081.doc

February 19, 2008

The Honorable Paul D. Clement
Solicitor General of the United States
Office of the Solicitor General
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20530-0001

Re: Southeast Alaska Conservation Council et al. v. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Dear Solicitor General Clement:

I have been an Alaska Commercial Fisherman for over 40 years. During that time I have always been involved in the broad array of issues that could have an impact on the clean water and habitat that is vital to the health of my industry. Such is the case of the Kensington Mine located near one of our very successful salmon fisheries in Lynn Canal.

For nearly 20-years other Southeast Alaska Gillnetters and I have followed Coeur Alaska and Goldbelt in their efforts to open the Kensington Gold Mine and build a dock at Cascade Point. They have frequently requested our input to insure that the developments would have no impact on a valuable fishery. Our communications have been productive and resulted in a mutually acceptable project that was permitted by all the agencies in July 2005.

It was important that during construction, Coeur Alaska hired and contracted locally. In fact, over 50% of a plus 380 person work force was Native-affiliated. Unfortunately, those year-round, high paying jobs were halted by the injunction.

We ask that you join Coeur Alaska and Goldbelt Inc. and urge the Supreme Court to review the decision of the Ninth Circuit Court in which SEACC, Lynn Canal Conservation, and the Sierra Club sued the agencies for granting 404 permits to Coeur Alaska and Goldbelt. It is our opinion that the agencies were correct in issuing these permits and that the Ninth Circuit Court has made a questionable reading of the Clean Water Act in this case.

The decision by the Ninth Circuit Court vacating Goldbelt's 404 permit is a gross injustice to the intent of Congress when it enacted the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act providing these lands to Goldbelt with the intent that they be used for economic development and betterment of Goldbelt's stockholders. It is disappointing that SEACC, Lynn Canal Conservation and the Sierra Club are using this lawsuit to block Goldbelt's ability to develop its land in an environmentally responsible manner.

10/29/2009

Sincerely,

Jim Becker
P.O. Box 240522
Douglas, AK 99824
jimbecker@gci.net
(907) 586-1900

CC:

Tom Henderson, Coeur Alaska
Dennis Wheeler, Coeur d'Alene Mines Corp.
Gary Droubay, Goldbelt Inc.
Pete Griffin, U.S. Forest Service
Mr. Stephen L. Johnson, U.S. EPA
Lieutenant General Robert L. Van Antwerp, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Colonel Wilson, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Governor Sarah Palin, State of Alaska
Larry Hartig, Commissioner, ADEC
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To: PARNELL; S (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Fw: SB 160--fyi

Importance: High

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From: "Jackson, Karleen K (HSS)" <karleen.jackson@alaska.gov>

Date: Wed, 20 Feb 2008 09:41:37

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Cc: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>, "Leschper, Beth (GOV)" <beth.leschper@alaska.gov>

Subject: FW: SB 160--fyi

Governor - You may already have this info, but here's the message I forwarded to Russ, Anna, and Mike T. on this earlier.

-----Original Message-----

From: Jackson, Karleen K (HSS)

Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 8:25 AM

To: Kelly, Russell T (GOV); Kim, Anna C (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)

Cc: Streur, William J (HSS); Hill, Sherry (HSS)

Subject: RE: SB 160--fyi

Importance: High

These are the statements DHSS has been making about SB160 since it was introduced last year:

DHSS supports the underlying premise of SB160 - health care for all Alaskan. However, health insurance and access to actual health care are not the same thing and SB160 may not necessarily achieve the goal of health care for all Alaskans. Because DHSS lacks the actuarial expertise and data to comprehensively analyze SB160, we can only speak to support for the goal of health care for all Alaskans.

Bill Streur is passionate about achieving health care for all Alaskans. That's what he spoke to in his testimony yesterday. When he was asked for his personal opinion about SB160 based on his past experience and knowledge of health care issues, he was clear in stating that he was not speaking from a department or administration position.

When the press release reported "the department has recently formulated a position on the legislation", it sounded as though our position has changed. It has not.

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Please let us know how you'd like us to proceed with clarification on this issue.

Karleen

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From: Guay, Gerald A (DEC) [gerry.guay@alaska.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 8:57 AM
To: Kreitzer; Annette E (DOA); Palin; Sarah H (GOV)
Subject: Contract negotiations

We just had another Department employee leave the state , the fifth or sixth that I know of in the last 3 months. They left because the state no longer values its workers or pays them fairly. You have the power to be fair or take responsibility for the loss of many well qualified employees. Your decisions in the next couple of weeks may very well determine if the state has qualified employees to support the development of a gas pipeline. You seem to feel that your workers will continue to work for nothing and will not strike to get a fair contract. You also seem to believe you can replace technical expertise with less than qualified staff as a supervisor I call that " constant training not productivity Either way the state pays thru the nose.

This is what a recently departed employee said when I told them what the status of these negotiations was:

"No, my pay is about 67% more than when I worked for the state, and about 125% more when adjust for cost of living. I also like the job--something new every day, and I'm responsible for all environmental and safety programs.

5 ½-3-½ isn't what we were hoping for, but it's a step up. It's a wash if you have to work a 40-hour week though--just more work at about the same rate of pay. Nothing near competitive."

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 8:14 AM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Elections

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2008 8:59 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Elections

Web mail from: Ms. Laura Gibson
address: 1451W. Clayton Dayton TX 77535

MESSAGE:

Dear Gov. Palin,

I have been combing through US Governors and Legislators searching for a good fit for John McCain's VP. I think you are it! I love your pro-life stand, economic conservatism, (loved what you did with the plane!), equal rights for gays without sanctioning their agenda, congeniality win, and I suppose youth and beauty doesn't hurt either. I think we will see more of you in the future. Keep up the good work!

Sincerely,

Laura Gibson

boilweevil51@yahoo.com

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 7:59 AM
To: nelsonphotographic@yahoo.com
Subject: RE: Other

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2008 11:21 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Jeff Nelson

address: PMB 467 1120 Huffman Rd. suite 24 Anchorage AK 99515
9073508565

MESSAGE:

Dear Gov. Palin

I am truly amazed by the foresight of such leaders that had the audacity to believe in something bigger than themselves and to forgo public scrutiny & ridicule that came upon them for setting in motion the "Vision" that has helped secure the future of Alaska. I write this with pride overflowing as I ponder the many champions that have continued this great vision, and as we near the 50th year of statehood I feel compelled to thank God for blessing this Great Land, and with the hope and expectation for exceptional leaders, like you, to continue the vision into the future.

P.S. Kinda sappy, but thats the way I see it.

Thanks for your integrity an exceptional leadership.

Jeff Nelson

nelsonphotographic@yahoo.com

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 7:45 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: Feb 28/29

I'll have kids' appointments and Valley school events those two days, so I may have to consolidate the Anchorage events - I'll go through all that today and let you know.

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

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From: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SWLEIGHOW]
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 7:24 AM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'; Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Cc: Leschper; Beth (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Re: Nga

Joel Southern from APRN has also requested any interview with you in D.C.

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
To: Mason, Janice L (GOV)
Cc: Leschper, Beth (GOV); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Sent: Wed Feb 20 07:12:58 2008
Subject: Nga

Nat res speech- how much time for my intro? What's the expectation on the panel participation?

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From: Neil MacKinnon [nmackinnon@acsalaska.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 2:03 PM
To: Janet.Potter@usdoj.gov
Cc: thenderson@coeur.com; dkerr@coeur.com; Gary.Droubay@Goldbelt.com; pgriffin@fs.fed.us; Johnson.Stephen@epa.gov; Susan.L.Murphy@usace.army.mil; Kevin.J.Wilson@usace.army.mil; Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored); Hartig; Lawrence L (DEC); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Kate_Williams@stevens.senate.gov; Nathan_Bergerbest@murkowski.senate.gov; Kevin.V.Kennedy@mail.house.gov; Connie_McKenzie@stevens.senate.gov
Subject: SEACC et al. v. U.S. COE 06-35679

First things First
P.O. Box 240651
Douglas, AK 99824

The Honorable Paul D. Clement
Solicitor General of the United States
Office of the Solicitor General
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20530-0001

February 20, 2008

Dear Solicitor General Clement:

On behalf of First Things First, Inc., I urge you to file a petition for writ of certiorari in the case of SEACC et al. v. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers et al, Case No. 06-35679 (9th Circuit, May 22, 2007) asking that the Supreme Court review the decision of the Ninth Circuit Court.

Most of us have carefully followed the historic Kensington Gold Mine, from concept through construction and maintain that the agencies were correct in issuing these permits. Further, we believe the Ninth Circuit Court has made an erroneous reading of the Clean Water Act in this case. If the decision of the Ninth Circuit stands, the negative impact on mining could make permitting any project in Alaska, practicably impossible.

We also believe the decision by the Ninth Circuit Court vacating Goldbelt's 404 permit is a gross injustice to the intent of Congress when it enacted the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act providing these lands to Goldbelt with the intent that they be used for economic development and betterment of Goldbelt's stockholders. It is egregious that SEACC, Lynn Canal Conservation and the Sierra Club are using this lawsuit to block Goldbelt's ability to develop its

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land in an environmentally responsible manner.

The Kensington is vital to sustaining the economy of this region and reversing the decline in population and living standards that Southeast Alaska has been experiencing. To us, the anticipated 200 year-round, well paying jobs and the infusion of \$16 million per year in payroll is a golden opportunity.

Once again, please join in seeking the Supreme Court's review of the Ninth Circuit's erroneous decision.

Sincerely,

Neil MacKinnon, Secretary/Treasurer

CC:

Tom Henderson, Coeur Alaska
Dennis Wheeler, Coeur d'Alene Mines Corp.
Gary Droubay, Goldbelt Inc.
Pete Griffin, U.S. Forest Service
Mr. Stephen L. Johnson, U.S. EPA
Lieutenant General Robert L. Van Antwerp, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Colonel Wilson, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Governor Sarah Palin, State of Alaska
Larry Hartig, Commissioner, ADEC
Joe Balash, Special Staff Assistant to Governor Palin
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Sen. Lisa Murkowski
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Connie MacKenzie, Alaska Congressional Delegation

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From: PARNELL, S (GOV sponsored) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SRPARNELL1]

Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 11:39 AM

To: Sarah Palin

Subject: FW: this weekend...

Good work on the McCain side of the equation with the ANWR question.
Also, please see if you can get him talking up Alaska natural gas--it's a clean fuel

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 10:43 AM
To: Smith; Lynne M (GOV)
Subject: FW: AKSCA eCommunique February 2008

From: AKSCA eCommunique [mailto:brooke.zegstoo@alaska.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 9:51 AM
To: Palin, Sarah H (GOV)
Subject: AKSCA eCommunique February 2008

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Mission

The Alaska State Council on the Arts exists to promote the development in the state by ensuring that art of the highest quality is accessible to all Alaskans.

A Note From Charlotte

I recently had the opportunity to visit Cordova. The opening of our Art Bank Exhibit "Alaska Masterpiece Contemporary Art" at the Ilana Cultural Center happened to coincide with the Ice Worm Festival, so to say I'd never attended.

If you live in Anchorage and haven't been to Cordova there soon. Now that the fast ferry Chenega travels Friday evenings during the summer and returns on there's really no excuse for us big city folks not to visit a wonderful, warm town and, like so many Alaskan communities, a great book store, historical museum, culture center. What else does an Alaskan need? Or people fish a little there, as well.

CALL FOR PANELISTS: *Would you like to serve on a panel?* The panel dates this year are April 21-22-23. If you are interested in serving on a grant panel, have experience with grant organizations and are available during that time, please email (charlotte.fox@alaska.gov). I will send you more information.

There are changes happening at ASCA that I want to share with you. You'll be hearing more about this as time passes, and we will have public meetings in the larger communities. Some c

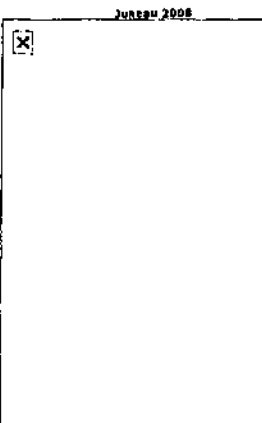
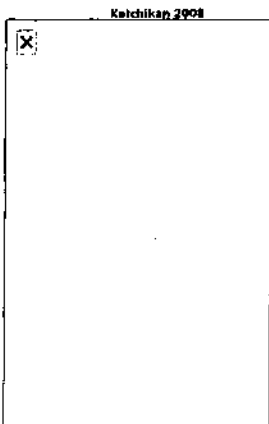
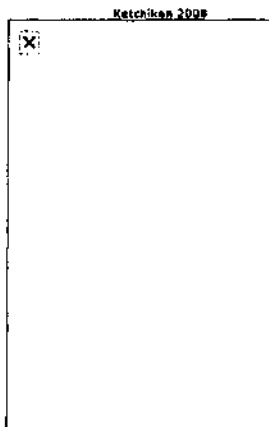


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be regulatory and some are new procedures that we will be implementing. Here are just a few of the changes recently passed by the Council:

**PHOTOS FROM THE
WEARABLE ARTS SHOW
(by Community):**
[For more photos, click here](#)



Juneau 2008

To be implemented for the 2010 Grant Cycle (January, 2009)

- One, two day, panel for Operating Support grants (OSB and OSA)
- Day 1: Presentation by applicant via teleconference or in person, 5 minute and panel questions (10 mins). Look at supplemental information;
- Day 2: Panel deliberation;
- Ceiling on grants: Maximum: \$21,000. Minimum: \$3,000;
- Regulations will be passed by that time, expanding biennial grants to triennials;
- Biennial (triennial) minimum annual budget to be raised to \$150,000;

New Category: Community Arts Projects;

- Project grants will merge with Community Arts Grant;
- First deadline: March 1, 2009. Quarterly grants;
- Staff recommended – no panel. Floor – none: ceiling - \$4,000
- Criteria: same as CAD/Project grants. Same eligibility. (need review of regs)

New Category: "Major Organization"

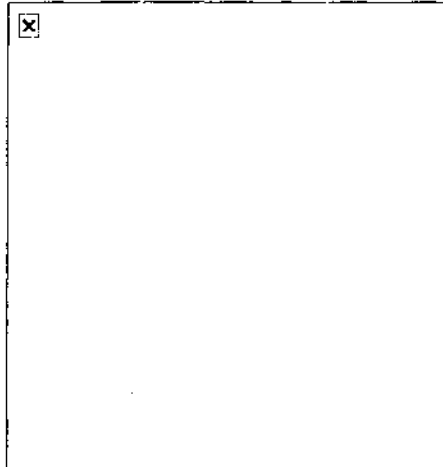
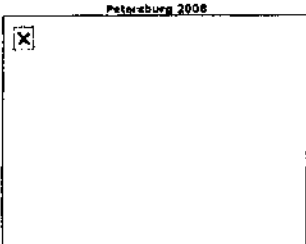
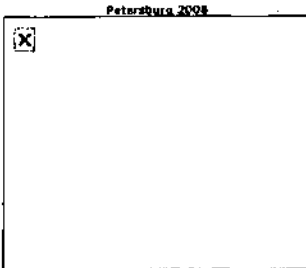
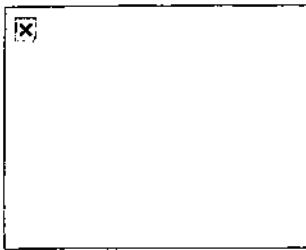
- Budgets above \$500,000; Required to be on triennial cycle (3 years). Requirement: annual audit and personal visit with Council during their second year.
- Long range goal: To enable major organizations to make annual, stable funding predictions.
- Step One: Make 2 year grant with in depth final report trigger for funding. (August 2008)
- Step Two: Make three year grant (online for January 1, 2009)
- Step Three: Have final report each year trigger funding for next year. Funding would remain stable. (August, 2010)

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ASCA March 1st Deadlines

- American/Alaskan Masterpieces Grant
- Annual Operating Support Grant
- Annual Project Grant
- AIE: Arts Educators Grant

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Upcoming ASCA Meetings:

March 28: Council quarterly meeting in Anchorage. For more information, call ASCA at 1.888.278.7424 or 907.269.6610.

STATEWIDE ARTS CONFERENCE! ASCA will be hosting a statewide arts conference January 28-30, 2009 at the Captain Cook Hotel in Anchorage. **SAVE THE DATE! PUT IT IN YOUR BUDGET!**

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Organization Grant Opportunities

The Rasmuson Foundation, together with the Alaska Humanities Forum, present "ALASKA'S STATEHOOD EXPERIENCE GRANT PROGRAM". **Grants are due May 15, 2008.** Grant program guidelines and applications are at: www.akhf.org

Challenge America : Reaching Every Community Fast Track (CAFT) offers support primarily to small and mid - sized organizations for projects that extend the reach of the arts to underserved populations. **Deadline: June 2, 2008.**

For more information (and for projects starting after January 1, 2009, Grants up to \$10,000) **contact:**
Erin Jenkins Waylor, NEA
Email: waylore@arts.endow.gov Web: www.arts.gov
Deadline: June 2, 2008

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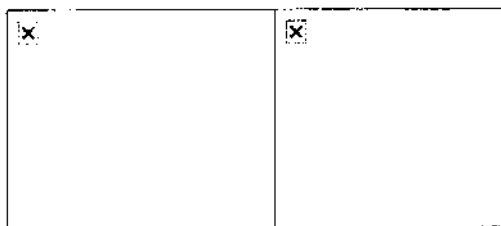
Sitka Summer Fine Arts Camp Receives National Coming Up Taller Award

The Sitka Fine Arts Camp recently was chosen as one of the 15 organizations nationwide to receive the Coming Up Taller Award. Roger Schmidt, Executive Director of Alaska Arts Southeast, was presented the award last month in a ceremony with First Lady Laura Bush. The Sitka Fine Arts Camp also received \$10,000.00 from the President's Committee on the Arts and Humanities.

The Coming Up Taller Awards recognize and support outstanding community arts and humanities programs that celebrate the creativity of America's young people, provide them learning opportunities and chances to contribute to their communities. These awards focus national attention on exemplary programs currently fostering the creative and intellectual development of America's children and youth through education and practical experience in the arts and the humanities.

Skagway Artist Receives National Recognition at the White House

Eve Griffin was one of 347 artists selected nationwide to create an ornament honoring the National Park Service for the 2007 White House Christmas tree.



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Art Administration Opportunities

POSITION OPENING: Executive Director of the Fairbanks Concert Association. Deadline to apply: February 22, 2008. For more information, contact the FCA at concert@acsalaska.net
[Click here for more details](#)

Artist Opportunities

Creative Capital artist project grants are available now in emerging fields, innovative literature, performing arts at www.creative-capital.org
Deadline is March 4, 2008

Permanent faculty- Alberta, Canada. The photography program is seeking a full time faculty member.

Deadline: February 23, 2008

Contact: Mitch Kern (403) 338-5520

[Click here for more information](#)

Astraea Visual Arts Fund

Deadline: March 3, 2008 (Monday)

Contact: (212) 829-8021

Email: grants@astraeafoundation.org

Website: www.astraeafoundation.org

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Call for Art Opportunities

UAF Percent for Art- West Ridge Building RFP

Deadline: March 1, 2008

www.ced.state.ak.us/aksca

City of Homer supports Public Art Call for Artists and Public Art Workshop. **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE-** January 11, 2008-The City of Homer's Public Arts Committee will be issuing a request for proposals (RFP) to incorporate art into the proposed City Hall and Town Plaza. The RFP will be available at the City Hall Clerk's office January 18, 2008. Interested artists can call 235-8121 ext. 2222 to receive a copy. Preliminary concepts are due back to the city by **February 23, 2008.**

Contact: Hope Finkelstein, (907) 235-4288

hope@homerart.org

Art to Wear Fashion Show: From Tip to Toe

Deadline: March 28, 2008 (Friday) 5 pm

For more information contact:

Lean Bartos

Tel: 907-228-9296

Email: leanb@kou.net

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Jackie Kefzer
 Tel: 907-235-6648
 Email: jackiekefzer@yahoo.com

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Exhibition opportunity concerning climate change:

An Art & Science Collaboration will open in April 2008 at the Pratt Museum in Homer, AK.

Deadline: February 15, 2008

Contact: Ryll Christenson, (907) 235-8635 or rchristenson@prattmuseum.org

[Click here for more information](#)

Alaska State Museum Announces Statewide Photographic Competition

The Alaska State Museum is seeking entries from photographers statewide for Alaska Positive 2008, the museum's biennial exhibition of Alaska photography.

Deadline: April 9, 2008

Contact: Bob Banghart, (907) 465-2976

<http://www.museums.state.ak.us>

Fairbanks Theater Groups Want 10 minute Plays For SX10 Festival

Deadline: March 15, 2008

Contact: Peggy Ferguson, (907) 456-PLAY

peggyferguson@gqi.net

[Click here for more information](#)

The Alaska Botanical Garden Art Show and Sale is looking for sculpture, mosaics, gates, kinetic pieces for inclusion in the outdoor exhibit and sale. Work must be durable with a retail value of over \$300. 30% of purchase price is donation to Alaska Botanical Garden. Send up to three visuals to grealvall@gqi.net

Deadline: April 18, 2008.

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Eastern Nebraska Veteran's Home: 1% Project

Public Art Prospectus- RFP & Direct Purchase Call

Deadline: February 27, 2008

Contact: J. D. Hutton, (402) 595-2142

[Click here for more information](#)

Public Art Prospectus- RFQ and Direct Purchase Call- A Nebraska One percent for Art project, Peru State College, Peru, NE

Deadline: March 14, 2008

Contact: J. D. Hutton, (402) 595-2142

[Click here for more information](#)

Public Art, HSC Amarillo Campus, Texas Tech University- RFQ

Deadline: February 21, 2008

Contact: Debbie Griffin (806) 742-2116 [More information here](#)

National Outdoor Sculpture competition & exhibition, City of North Charleston Riverfront Park

Deadline: March 7, 2008

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Outdoor Temporary Sculpture Exhibition for Roanoke, Virginia's Arts

Festival in October 2008 running through April 2010.

Deadline: March 7, 2008

Contact: Susan Jennings (540) 342-5790

[Click here for more information](#)

The Main Street Gallery in Groton, N. Y. Exhibition prospectus

2008 National small art quilt works

Deadline: June 7, 2008

[Click here for detailed information](#)

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All Kids Can Create! National Call for Art-VSA Arts
Exhibition in Washington, D.C.
Open to all children ages 5-15
Deadline March 14, 2008
For more information, please visit: www.vsarts.org

Munch & Music July 10- August 14, 2008

Bend Memorial Clinic

Presented by: The Bulletin and

PacificSource Health Plans

Deadline: July 2, 2008

Contact: Lisa Hamel, (541) 647-7800

Additional information on their website at:

www.c3events.com

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NEA Dance Grants Available

American Masterpieces Dance grants are now available from the NEA, administered by the New England Federation for the Arts in two areas:

1. Reconstruction Grants: for the reconstruction or restaging of American Dance works that are artistically, historically and culturally significant. Application is due **March 3, 2008**.

For producing dance organizations there are also grants available in the National Dance Project.

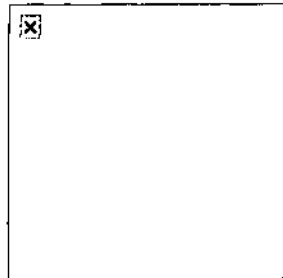
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Arts in Education

Sitka Fine Arts Camp

[Registration Opens January 1, click here for more information](#)

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Arts Educator Award Grant Applications Available

The Alaska State Council on the Arts, in partnership with the Rasmuson Foundation, is pleased to announce the availability of applications for the Arts Educator Grant. There are two deadlines for this grant: **December 1, 2007** and **March 1, 2008**. This is a postmark deadline.

This grant is designed to encourage the reconnection of art teachers to the practice of their art. Four awards, each up to \$3,000, are available for K-12 arts educators whose primary responsibility is arts instruction, teaching a minimum of three years and permanently assigned full or part time in an Alaskan school.

Applications and guidelines are available at:

www.eed.state.ak.us/aksca under Arts Education. For more information about this grant, please contact the Alaska State Council

on the Arts' Arts Education office at (907) 269-6682, or toll-free in Alaska at 1-888-278-7424.

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The Alaska Contemporary Art Bank

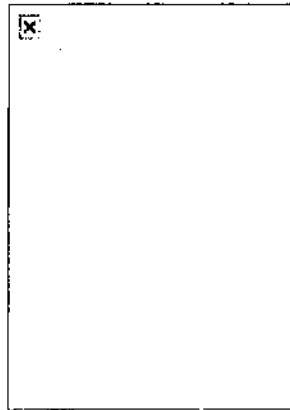
Check out the Art Bank on the Web

The ASCA web site has a link to the Contemporary Art Bank, where you can view a good selection of art available through the program. In an effort to make the Art Bank more accessible to all our borrowers, the images will be updated regularly so that generally the work posted is work that is available for loan. The selections posted are representative of the collection as whole, with a variety of images, mediums and sizes. So even if you don't initially see something you like, check back as we hope to update the images monthly.

The web site also has information on who is eligible for the program and how to contact the Art Bank.

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Artwork of the Month:



Untitled Doll, by Rosalie Paniyak

This doll was purchased by the Arts Council from master Cup'ik doll maker Rosalie Paniyak of Chevak in 1985. Rosalie passed away this past December (www.adn.com/rural/story/246521.html) and her widely recognized, distinctive and humorous dolls are well loved among collectors. Rosalie often included stories about who the doll was, and their activities with the doll. Her note on this one states: 'went out to check his black fish trap after he made his sled. He made a little sled because he has a little stomach. He watches his sled while pushing. When he catches seal he cuts them in half and leaves the other half and goes back to pick up the other half the next day. This man is a great hunter. Because he is a great hunter he has a seal coat and he never gets cold. He sneezes 'ahh-choo' after he chews tobacco.' This doll has just returned from a state-wide exhibit "American Masterpieces: Art for Alaskans" and is currently available for loan to state offices and agencies public spaces under the Alaska Contemporary Art Bank program.

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Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 2:08 PM
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Subject: FW: Aniak

Governor:

The latest report on the situation in Aniak.

Randy

From: Byrne, Cassandra M (DPS)
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 12:58 PM
To: McBride, Rhonda (GOV); Ruaro, Randall P (GOV)
Cc: Monegan, Walt C (DPS); Glass, John D (DPS); Holloway, Audie E (DPS); Rice, Lauren (DPS)
Subject: Re: Aniak

Good afternoon,

Commissioner Monegan is enroute back to Anchorage and has asked me to forward some information to you re: Aniak situation which he received a short time ago:

"Lt McDonald is landing in Aniak as we speak and will attend this meeting and start gathering information before the meeting. He has assured me that he will email us in the morning on how things went. I just don't see that this will be anything more than a few folks venting personal issues using their positions on a council. This will backfire on them as it looks now. The 6 topic's are poorly written and documented. Frankly one of the complaints is a positive reaction to a call for service when a grandmother called about her concern of children at another family's residence. According to Trip Spencer, Sgt. Sheets so happened to be watching a PT that night and received the call. He called the Carl Morgan residence to see if things were OK there, since he couldn't leave because of the Prisoner's."

We will continue to forward significant updates to you as they are received.

Thank you,

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"Public Safety through Public Service"

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From: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SWLEIGHOW]
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 10:51 AM
To: 'Todd'
Cc: 'Sarah Palin'
Subject: First Dude's helmet

Todd -

What do you think?!

From: Wilkinson, Gregory J (HSS)
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 10:48 AM
To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
Cc: Glaser, Gordon M (HSS); Hull-Jilly, Deborah C (HSS)
Subject: First Dude's helmet

Sharon,
Our Injury Prevention people wanted to know if Todd Palin was wearing his helmet when he wrecked his machine during the Iron Dog, and if so, if he'd be interested in doing a press event or PSA talking about how the helmet helped save his head and encouraging others to wear helmets.
Can you run this by the right folks for us and let me know?
Thanks,
Greg

Note: new email address

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From: Colberg, Talis J (LAW) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=TJCOLBERG]
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 10:08 AM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: Dyson

Dear Governor Palin,

I just received your email regarding a referenced scathing email from Sen. Dyson on a Native Elders Roundtable. I believe he is basing that concept on the 1994 Natives Commission Task Force. I'm not sure what the outcome of that was, however, I think he liked the concept.

I would note that Sen. Dyson has been the source of several communications that have an edge over the last year. I found an old set of files here including a letter to AG Renkes from Dyson in June of 2003 which started as follows:

"Dear Greg, I gave you the following questions /issues to help us with and I have not heard from you in four months. Have you forgotten or are you ignoring these issues and me or do you not give a rip or has Frank got you too busy with his stuff? If you can't or won't help me, please suggest someone who can or cares. ..." on and on

My point would be that I think he has been writing scathing letters to the executive branch for years as almost a form of sport. Talis

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From: Kreitzer, Annette E (DOA) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=AEKREITZER]
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 6:01 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: error in earlier email

Governor:

Sorry - the number below should be **\$8.6 billion**. I guess I got carried away: a billion here, a billion there...
ak

From: Kreitzer, Annette E (DOA)
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2008 1:10 PM
To: ExternalEmailgsp; Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
Cc: Leschper, Beth (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Jackson, Karleen K (HSS); PARNELL, S (GOV sponsored)
Subject: RE: CSPAN - D.C.

Governor:

I'm happy to assist anyway I can (talking points attached). As an employer, the State must protect the financial soundness of a plan where we have a **\$10.6 billion unfunded liability** (PERS/TRS). Much of this driven by increased health care costs. However, when as an employer we can invest \$1 in preventive care and receive \$4 in benefit by the avoidance of potential illness - that's a good investment.

I understand your position that the State, as government - not employer - should allow private companies to decide within their member pools whether this makes sense for them or not.

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Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 1:17 PM
To: 'Sarah Palin'
Cc: Leschper, Beth (GOV)
Subject: press availability

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From: John Katz [jwkatz@ALASKADC.org]
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 12:03 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin
Cc: Annette E (DOA) Kreitzer; Beth C (GOV) Leschper; Michael Tibbles; Mike Nizich; Janice Mason; kris_perry@gov.state.ak.us
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Welcome to DC.

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From: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SWLEIGHOW]
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 10:59 AM
To: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); 'Sarah Palin'
Subject: CON op ed for your approval

For your review.

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From: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SWLEIGHOW]
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 11:34 AM
To: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); 'Sarah Palin'
Subject: deletes redundant sentence in 2nd graph

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From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=KYPERRY]
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 12:29 PM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Cc: 'Sarah Palin'
Subject: FW: Meeting with McCain

Janice – I spoke with Nick and they have arranged the following. If this doesn't work, let me know and I can get back in touch with him.

Governor – Nick also said that if you need anything (staff, arrangements, etc.) while you're down there, they are happy to assist in any way.

From: Christie Mueller [mailto:cmueller@RGA.ORG]
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 12:12 PM
To: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Meeting with McCain

Hi Kris-

Please have Governor Palin come to the Oval Suite at the Willard Hotel at 10am on Saturday, February 23rd. This will be after she attends the RGA Business Meeting from 8:00-9:30. Other governors will be attending this coffee hosted by Senator McCain, but Nick assures you that he will make sure Governor Palin has time to speak with the Senator.

Thanks,

Christie

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From: John Katz [jwkatz@ALASKADC.org]
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 1:40 PM
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Subject: Re: Fw: this weekend...

I believe that Senator McCain has been supportive of, or at least not opposed to, the natural gas pipeline. He might be willing to say some good things about the state's efforts to commercialize North Slope natural gas, with the related national interest implications. That would be great but, of course, not a quid pro quo for his opposition to oil development in ANWR.

>>> On 2/20/2008 at 4:07 PM, in message <1198672791-1203541673-cardhu_decombobulator_blackberry.rim.net-2059174658-@bxel03.bisx.prod.on.blackberry>, <gov.sarah@yahoo.com> wrote:
Fyi. We're hooking up with McCain at NGA to speak on Ak issues.
Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Wed, 20 Feb 2008 20:59:19

To: "Nick Ayers" <NAyers@RGA.ORG>, "Rick Perry" <rpererry08@RGA.ORG>

Cc: "Kris Perry" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>, "Janice Mason"

<janice.mason@alaska.gov>

Subject: Re: this weekend...

That would be great. Kris Perry can help on my end with scheduling a time.
Thanks!

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From: Nick Ayers <NAyers@RGA.ORG>

Date: Wed, 20 Feb 2008 15:55:39

To: Governor Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>, Rick Perry

<rpererry08@RGA.ORG>

Cc: Kris Perry <kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Subject: Re: this weekend...

The Senator indicated to me that he wants to spend as much one on one time as possible discussing issues with Governors this weekend. If you like, I'm happy to set this up.

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Look forward to seeing you Governor.

On 2/20/08 3:27 PM, "gov.sarah@yahoo.com" <gov.sarah@yahoo.com> wrote:

Rick/Nick: I'll be there.

And is there any possibility I could hear from McCain on Alaska's resource development issues? (ie. why is he opposed to ANWR oil drilling, why is he hooked up with Lieberman on a few anti-development initiatives?)

If anyone can help me hear from him on that, our state would appreciate it. I'll have a tough time explaining my support for him until I can say I spoke with him about my concerns re: any pro-environmental stands he's taking that could hurt Alaska.

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From: "Rick Perry" <rperry08@RGA.ORG>

Date: Wed, 20 Feb 2008 14:12:53

Cc: "Nick Ayers" <NAyers@RGA.ORG>

Subject: this weekend...

Governors,

I'm looking forward to seeing many of you this weekend. I know how tightly these weekends are scheduled, but I wanted to make sure all of you were aware of a gracious invitation we just received from John McCain. He is hosting a governors and spouses only reception at the Willard prior to the Statesman dinner on Saturday night where he is our special guest. I know your RGA briefings have already gone out, which is why I wanted to personally highlight this addition and ask you to attend. The reception will be at 6:15pm. I'll be sure RGA gets your schedulers more information on this.

The other ask I have of you is to stay in Washington for the Gala on Monday night. It is President Bush's last RGA dinner and we will all be sitting on the stage as he delivers his remarks. Over the years the President has been a great friend to RGA and he was active as a governor so I want to make sure we are all there to express our appreciation to him. Another important reason we need you to attend is this is our biggest fundraiser of the year for RGA.

I hope you will consider these two requests. See you soon.

Rick

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From: John Katz [jwkatz@ALASKADC.org]
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 12:53 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin
Cc: kris.perry@alaska.gov
Subject: Senator McCain - CONFIDENTIAL

Right on! It looks as if Senator McCain will be the presidential candidate of our party, but I can't think of many Alaska issues where he has been supportive over the years.

We have made a concerted effort to reach him on ANWR but to no avail. While I understand his concern about the congressional earmarking process, it sometimes appears that he is singling out Alaska for special treatment.

I think that the Republican Governor's Association will be responsive to your request. If not, we may have other ways to contact Senator McCain. For whatever it's worth, I agree with your premise that there needs to be some dialog between you and him before he can expect public support. I don't know that we will change his mind, but at least you may be able to develop a relationship that will inure to Alaska's benefit later on.

ps: I sure hope that, next year, we can maintain the votes necessary in the Senate to sustain or threaten a filibuster on issues, such as ANWR wilderness legislation, that are inimical to Alaska's interests, because none of the current candidates for President seems to be empathic.

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Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 12:03 PM
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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 3:53 PM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); K Perry Yahoo; Frank Bailey
Subject: Fw: Halcro Blog

Pls tell mcAllister that halcro is a lying \$+*#_

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

-----Original Message-----

From: "Colberg, Talis J (LAW)" <talis.colberg@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 21 Feb 2008 15:40:57

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: FW: Halcro Blog

Dear Governor Palin, This just came in. Talis

From: Otto, Christina L (LAW)

Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 3:39 PM

To: Barry, Elizabeth J (LAW)

Cc: Colberg, Talis J (LAW)

Subject: Halcro Blog

The blog about my "resignation" no longer appears on Halcro's webpage.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 9:58 PM
To: Leschper; Beth (GOV); Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: Hoover

That speech is very good. I'm happy to deliver it to the Hoover group if they still have space on the agenda. Thanks

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 3:26 PM
To: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
Cc: Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Bailey; Frank T (GOV); Todd; Kelly; Russell T (GOV); Colberg; Talis J (LAW)
Subject: Re: What is Happening??

What a dumbass he is. His lies are ridiculous.

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From: "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 21 Feb 2008 13:07:44

To: Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>, "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>

Cc: "Balash, Joseph R (GOV)" <joe.balash@alaska.gov>, "Bailey, Frank T (GOV)" <frank.bailey@alaska.gov>, fek9wnr@yahoo.com, "Kelly, Russell T (GOV)" <russ.kelly@alaska.gov>

Subject: FW: What is Happening??

FYI, from Halcro's website at the bottom of this email. Just wanted to give you a heads-up in case it is brought up today; didn't want anyone to get blindsided since Tina learned of this from Senator Green's office. Sharon is aware and between her and Tina, we'll take care of it.

From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)

Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 12:55 PM

To: Otto, Christina L (LAW); Austerman, Joseph M (CED); 'kccole@mtaonline.net'; Nix, Raymond G (DNR); Lefebvre, Richard A (DNR); Simons, Leta L (DNR)

Cc: Barry, Elizabeth J (LAW); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)

Subject: RE: What is Happening??

Tina/All-

This is really getting out-of-hand. Something needs to be done to call him on this. He should not be allowed to defame people with outright lies. If it's not corrected, then people that read it will not know otherwise. I'm copying Sharon Leighow in on this. Sharon, bet he didn't call you to verify information like you asked him too.

And, as Kristan already answered the CC legal counsel is still working for the corporation.

As usual his facts are all wrong. He got your name right and that was about it.

Kris

From: Otto, Christina L (LAW)

Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 12:41 PM

To: Austerman, Joseph M (CED); 'kccole@mtaonline.net'; Nix, Raymond G (DNR); Lefebvre, Richard A (DNR); Simons, Leta L (DNR); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)

Cc: Barry, Elizabeth J (LAW)

Subject: What is Happening??

I was quietly plugging away on trying to finish my outline regarding the dissolution process when Ginger from Senator Green's office called and told me to take a look at Halcro's Blog. This is what it says:

FLASH: Assistant Attorney General quits due to activity at Mat Maid

We received the following two emails less than thirty minutes apart this morning regarding a breaking situation with Governor Palin's Creamery Board.

Received at 10:43am

Just an FYI on the Mat Maid situation. Tina Otto, Assistant Attorney General who has been handling all the new Creamery Board affairs is resigning. She had been trying to keep the

5 Palin hand picked board members "coloring inside the lines" but is quitting because this bunch is running wild and doing things illegally. She does not want to get trapped by their wrongdoings after she has warned them that what they are doing is illegal. How many people fired or quitting will it take for this administration to realize her board is full of conflict of interest and law breaking? Is there no oversight at all?

I think I still have a job. J Beyond that, I, of course, don't represent the Creamery Board. Did the CC board make a decision to find new counsel? I can't even imagine what prompted this.

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 4:00 PM
To: Smith; Lynne M (GOV)
Subject: FW: [Research Matters] ISER Research Matters No. 29

From: lser_publications-bounces@lists.uaa.alaska.edu [mailto:lsr_publications-bounces@lists.uaa.alaska.edu] **On Behalf Of** ISER Research Announcements
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 3:56 PM
To: ISER_Publications@lists.uaa.alaska.edu
Subject: [Research Matters] ISER Research Matters No. 29

ISER Research Matters is our effort to quickly let Alaskans know about research findings from the Institute of Social and Economic Research (ISER), at the University of Alaska Anchorage. We post these on our Web site and distribute them by e-mail. If you'd like to be removed from or added to our e-mail list, send us a message at ResearchMatters@uaa.alaska.edu

Research Matters No. 29. What Helps Small Businesses Succeed? February 21, 2008

Starting a business in rural Alaska is hard but not impossible, as existing rural businesses around the state prove. So how do some people overcome the barriers created by small markets, remote location, high costs, and harsh climate, while many others fail? ISER researchers recently analyzed business license patterns to identify favorable community characteristics and surveyed 196 business owners in 19 small rural communities to ask what challenges they face and what could help more businesses succeed. We also did detailed interviews with 30 owners of current and former rural businesses.

The research was sponsored by the Rasmuson Foundation, BP Exploration, Wells Fargo Bank, the U.S. Economic Development Administration, and the University of Alaska Foundation. What did business owners tell us?

- Take a hard look at whether there'll be enough demand for what you offer. Identify either a needed service or an opportunity in a growing industry. Almost a third of the businesses in our survey provided groceries, fuel, and general merchandise, and another third were in air transportation, eating places, lodges, Alaska Native arts, and guiding for sport hunting and fishing.
- Draw up a detailed business plan that accounts for all aspects of the business—expenses, estimated cash flow, management and training of employees, and marketing strategies. Some people told us their businesses had failed because they hadn't understood how to estimate all their likely expenses.
- Get training in business planning, financial management, and day-to-day operations. A quarter of the business owners said they could still use help managing their finances and dealing with other aspects of day-to-day operations. They cited hiring and supervising employees, facing competition from other businesses, getting and using new technology, and having sufficient cash flow to cover expenses as ongoing challenges.
- Government agencies and private organizations can best help small rural businesses by offering more training in financial and operations management for both prospective and current owners and improving rural telephone and internet connections. One in five business owners said such training and better internet and phone connections would be the biggest help to them. About one in ten said agencies could help by providing more financing for small businesses and by learning more about the big and ongoing challenges rural businesses face.

Besides what businesses told us, our analysis of community characteristics showed that the the cost of getting to a community; access to scenic public lands, fisheries, or natural resources; and a diverse population are the characteristics that most influence business success.

See [summary](#) or [full report](#)

For more information about rural business development, contact Christi Bell ayvibes@uaa.alaska.edu, executive director of the Center for Economic Development at ISER.

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From: Balash, Joseph R (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JRBALASH]
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 12:51 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'; Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Cc: Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Galvin; Patrick S (DOR); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR)
Subject: Re: Governor Palin - . A-PIC

Governor, we did not direct her to you. I gave her my card in Palmer on Monday night. She asked how to make sure that you got to see it. I told her to give it to either or both of the commissioners, who were both attending that night, and to me.

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
To: Mason, Janice L (GOV)
Cc: Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Galvin, Patrick S (DOR); Rutherford, Marty K (DNR); Balash, Joseph R (GOV)
Sent: Thu Feb 21 12:30:48 2008
Subject: Re: Governor Palin - . A-PIC

Pls ask gasline team what it was, specifically, they wanted me to work on with this person. Thanks

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

-----Original Message-----

From: "Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>
Date: Thu, 21 Feb 2008 12:17:38
To: Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
Cc: "Irwin, Tom E (DNR)" <tom.irwin@alaska.gov>, "Galvin, Patrick S (DOR)" <patrick.galvin@alaska.gov>, "Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)" <marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>, "Balash, Joseph R (GOV)" <joe.balash@alaska.gov>
Subject: FW: Governor Palin - . A-PIC

Governor - This woman called the other day stating that she had approached the gas line team (commissioner's) and they had told her to pursue this through you and that her idea was worth looking into. I

have let Ms. Moore know that it has been received and delivered. Janice

-----Original Message-----

From: April Moore [mailto:aprilmoore@starband.net]

Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 8:04 AM

To: Mason, Janice L (GOV)

Subject: Governor Palin - . A-PIC

Dear Governor Palin,

My first thoughts, I bring this to you because time is short if this concept is to work. As we saw last night, the Federal government would like to direct how Alaska does business. I am so frustrated with the notion that we have to hold out our hands and beg for money to build our roads and bridges! Our delegation in Washington has worked for decades to get money for the Knik Arm Bridge, just to have it shot down in a political fever and catch phrase Bridges To No Where.

In a way we deserve it, because Alaskans, to date, have given up revenues that could have been ours, we could have had billions more for our oil. But now is a new day.

The following is just a rough idea, I know it needs the expertise you and your staff could work out.

This has the potential to be bigger than the Permanent Fund. It took a dynamic governor of that day to get it through. You are just such a person, and I can see this as something that could be looked on in just the same light. A HUGE leap forward for Alaskans and our Constitution!

Feel free to let me know what you think would improve it.

I would like to continue to be involved in this, and if we go forward, eventually serve on the board of directors.

Thank you for your serious consideration.

Sincerely,
April Moore

ALASKA - PIPELINE INVESTMENT CORPORATION A-PIC

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Trapper Creek, Alaska

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 12:47 PM
To: Crome; Cora J (GOV); Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: Crabfest

Pls look for May date for crab fest participation in Kodiak.

Also, maybe Comm Fish debate to watch in March.

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 12:31 PM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Cc: Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Galvin; Patrick S (DOR); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR); Balash; Joseph R (GOV)
Subject: Re: Governor Palin - . A-PIC

Pls ask gasline team what it was, specifically, they wanted me to work on with this person. Thanks

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 21 Feb 2008 12:17:38

To: Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Cc: "Irwin, Tom E (DNR)" <tom.irwin@alaska.gov>, "Galvin, Patrick S (DOR)" <patrick.galvin@alaska.gov>, "Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)" <marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>, "Balash, Joseph R (GOV)" <joe.balash@alaska.gov>

Subject: FW: Governor Palin - . A-PIC

Governor - This woman called the other day stating that she had approached the gas line team (commissioner's) and they had told her to pursue this through you and that her idea was worth looking into. I have let Ms. Moore know that it has been received and delivered. Janice

-----Original Message-----

From: April Moore [mailto:aprilmoore@starband.net]

Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 8:04 AM

To: Mason, Janice L (GOV)

Subject: Governor Palin - . A-PIC

Dear Governor Palin,

My first thoughts, I bring this to you because time is short if this

concept is to work. As we saw last night, the Federal government would like to direct how Alaska does business. I am so frustrated with the notion that we have to hold out our hands and beg for money to build our roads and bridges! Our delegation in Washington has worked for decades to get money for the Knik Arm Bridge, just to have it shot down in a political fever and catch phrase Bridges To No Where.

In a way we deserve it, because Alaskans, to date, have given up revenues that could have been ours, we could have had billions more for our oil. But now is a new day.

The following is just a rough idea, I know it needs the expertise you and your staff could work out.

This has the potential to be bigger than the Permanent Fund. It took a dynamic governor of that day to get it through. You are just such a person, and I can see this as something that could be looked on in just the same light. A HUGE leap froward for Alaskans and our Constitution!

Feel free to let me know what you think would improve it.

I would like to continue to be involved in this, and if we go forward, eventually serve on the board of directors.

Thank you for your serious consideration.

Sincerely,

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Trapper Creek, Alaska

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From: PARNELL, S (GOV sponsored) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SRPARNELL1]
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 12:13 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: Kenai and Merit Scholarships

Spoke to classes at Kenai High, Soldotna High, and Kenai Middle School this morning. All three warmly received merit scholarship idea. Interestingly, the 11th graders were most active and helped me realize that they really are thinking about what's next after high school.

Got asked questions about gasline, Pebble, our families, etc, nothing unusual.

Hope all is well and that you enjoy your trip East.

Sean

Unknown

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 11:23 AM
To: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Fw: for your review

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

-----Original Message-----

From: "Jackson, Karleen K (HSS)" <karleen.jackson@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 21 Feb 2008 11:14:31

To: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>, "Kim, Anna C (GOV)" <anna.kim@alaska.gov>, "Hill, Sherry (HSS)" <sherry.hill@alaska.gov>, "Kraly, Stacie L (LAW)" <stacie.kraly@alaska.gov>, ExternalEmailgsp <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Cc: "Leschper, Beth (GOV)" <beth.leschper@alaska.gov>

Subject: RE: for your review

Thanks. This looks great and I appreciate the updated number for lawsuits/appeals.

From: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)

Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 11:00 AM

To: Kim, Anna C (GOV); Hill, Sherry (HSS); Kraly, Stacie L (LAW); Jackson, Karleen K (HSS); ExternalEmailgsp

Cc: Leschper, Beth (GOV)

Subject: RE: for your review

Final version to ADN has corrected # of lawsuits.

From: Kim, Anna C (GOV)

Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 10:59 AM

To: Hill, Sherry (HSS); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Kraly, Stacie L (LAW); Jackson, Karleen K (HSS); ExternalEmailgsp

Cc: Leschper, Beth (GOV)

Subject: RE: for your review

I think after Stacie provided the info last night it was seven versus nine which was old info from me, until I heard from Stacie.

Anna

Anna Clark Kim

Special Staff Assistant

Office of the Governor

From: Hill, Sherry (HSS)

Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 10:56 AM

To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Kim, Anna C (GOV); Kraly, Stacie L (LAW); Jackson, Karleen K (HSS); ExternalEmailgsp

Cc: Leschper, Beth (GOV)

Subject: RE: for your review

Importance: High

I just noticed this sentence:

Currently, there are seven active CON lawsuits

Stacie - is this correct?

Do we want to have them say "there are more than seven" so we aren't specific? or do we want to say exactly how many there are?

-Sherry

Note my new e-mail address: Sherry.Hill@alaska.gov

Sherry Hill, MScPR

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From: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)

Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 10:40 AM

To: Kim, Anna C (GOV); Kraly, Stacie L (LAW); Jackson, Karleen K (HSS); Hill, Sherry (HSS); ExternalEmailgsp

Cc: Leschper, Beth (GOV)

Subject: for your review

All,

The Anchorage Daily News has significantly edited the CON op ed piece. While the piece is much shorter, I think it still conveys a strong message to repeal CON.

The current Certificate of Need program is not working

Governor Sarah Palin

Health care: Do we have too much government or too little? Should we have regulated markets or open markets?

Those are the perennial questions.

And that's what makes the state's proposal to repeal the current Certificate of Need (CON) program so contentious. Yes, there are solid arguments on both sides. But after much consideration, we believe that the program has not accomplished what it set out ultimately to do more than 30 years ago — lower costs for the consumer. It is time to end Alaska's CON program in its present form. Doing so will not only reduce the cost of health care, it will also improve the access to health care, allow more competition and improve quality of care for patients.

CON programs were required in all states in the mid-1970s by federal mandate. The goal was to make sure that health care facilities matched community need and provided access and quality care, which in turn would help reduce health-care costs. The federal mandate was repealed in 1987 — 20 years ago! — along with its federal funding.

The basic assumption in those days was that excess capacity, in the form of overbuilding, directly results in health-care price inflation. However, after more than 30 years of such programs, the National Conference of State Legislatures has found that there is no solid proof that the state-sponsored CON programs have actually controlled health-care costs. In fact, in 2004 the Federal Trade Commission and the Department of Justice both asserted that CON programs actually contribute to rising prices because they inhibit competitive markets.

Many opponents of CON programs have argued that health-care facility development should be left to the economics of each institution, in light of its own market analysis, rather than being subject to political influence.

My administration agrees.

I included repeal of Alaska's current CON program in my proposed Alaska Health Care Transparency Act (SB 245 and HB 337). The legislation will help Alaskans access affordable health care, and ensure our health-care system is responsive to changing demographics and market conditions. By getting information about health-care options to Alaskans, they can make better choices based on the health-care market.

CON is being used by lobbyists and health-care organizations to limit competition — through appeal of other's CON awards or by filing suit against the state for those CON awards. As one member of a citizen committee studying CON in 2007 put it: "the only voices heard (testifying for continuing CON even more stringently) were from the financially vested physicians and hospitals." Currently, there are seven active CON lawsuits involving the state and private sector health care providers

As I said recently in my State of the State Address to the Legislature, "Under our present Certificate of Need process, costs and needs don't drive health-care choices — bureaucracy does. Our system is broken and expensive." Eliminating the CON program, with certain exceptions, will allow free-market competition and reduce onerous government regulation.

Sharon Leighow

Deputy Press Secretary

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 10:26 AM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Leschper; Beth (GOV); Colberg; Talis J (LAW)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Exxon brief

We'll need good talking pts for press conf in DC on this - and to know what expectations are: do I speak, stand there, introduce people, answer questions, what's the format, etc?

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 10:21 AM
To: davidaholmes00@yahoo.com
Subject: RE: Environment

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 10:20 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Environment

Web mail from: Mr. David Holmes

address: 1113 West Fireweed Lane #405 Anchorage AK 99503
907-351-8984

MESSAGE:

Governor Palin's Esteemed E-mail Reader;

Your Administration continues with this wolf "hunting" program, even after studies found that many of the biological relationships assumed in Alaska's predator control programs are not entirely understood and concluded that insufficient information exists to determine that such programs increase prey or game populations. Why? Alaska residents have voted twice to ban aerial wolf hunting, and most assuredly will again this year. Both times the Alaskan people voted against these control programs, the Alaska Legislature overturned the will of the people and allowed the State to re-create the programs after the two-year initiatives expired. Again: Why?

It is as though your Administration is completely out of touch. Much like the ill-founded belief that the polar bear will simply adapt to the loss of sea ice and its natural habitats, the science just doesn't back up your position on the issue.

So go back to the drawing board. Think these things all the way through. The wolf's survival is far more important to Alaska than the meager bits of money brought in by tourist-hunters.

Best Regards,

David Holmes

<http://www.akwildlife.com/WhoEatsMoose.pdf>

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 10:20 AM
To: Smith; Lynne M (GOV)
Subject: FW: NEWS NOTES from UAS for January/February

-----Original Message-----

From: Bonnie Elsensohn [mailto:Bonnie.Elsensohn@uas.alaska.edu]
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 10:04 AM
Subject: NEWS NOTES from UAS for January/February

Here's what's been happening around Sitka Campus lately.

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From: Skymajor@aol.com
Sent: Saturday, February 23, 2008 3:23 PM
To: andora@nushtel.net
Cc: ray@kreig.com; Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Rep_Craig_Johnson@legis.state.ak.us; Dyson; Fred (LAA)
Subject: Re: Connecting Bristol Bay to the Railbelt Energy Grid

Dear Nels,

Thanks for this email copy.

I am supportive of such a grid, especially one whose foundations are built on hydro like the Susitna dams and Lake Chakachamna. FYI, Dennis Nottingham has a nice map of transmission lines emanating from the big hydro projects at Susitna and running to Dillingham, Bethel, Chignik, the Ahtna region, and more....and providing for connections to communities all along those routes.

Such a project would forever change life for the better throughout the regions served by that grid. Hydro-based power would free us from the roller coaster ride of oil and gas pricing and provide for stable local energy prices throughout what would be a 50 - 100 year project life.

There is nothing to stop us from doing such a project except vision and will power. I believe that during this session Representative Craig Johnson has sponsored a bill that would fund a new look at the economics of the hydro projects. I am supportive and hopeful that Alaska would find matching Federal funds for that effort.

I trust you and yours are well. Please give my regards to Everett, Greta and Dorothy.

Best regards,
Bill Noll

In a message dated 2/23/2008 11:34:08 A.M. Alaskan Standard Time, andora@nushtel.net writes:

For Your Information
Nels Anderson, Jr.
Dillingham

----- Original Message -----

Subject: RE: Connecting Bristol Bay to the Railbelt Energy Grid and
Constructing an Alaska State-Wide Energy Grid

Date: Sat, 23 Feb 2008 08:21:05 -0900

From: Nels and Dorothy <andora@nushtel.net>

Reply-To: andora@nushtel.net

Organization: Co-Man Services

To: Governor Palin <Governor@gov.state.ak.us>, "Lt. Governor Parnell" <Sean_Parnell@gov.state.ak.us>, Bob Martin <bob.martin@goldbelt.com>, George Cannelos <GCannelos@denali.gov>, James Strandberg <JStrandberg@aidea.org>, Mike Harper <mharper@aidea.org>, D-J-Bouker <d-j-bouker@nushtel.net>, Henry Strub <hstrub@nushtel.net>, Senator Donny Olson <Senator_Donny_Olson@legis.state.ak.us>, "Sen. Albert Kookesh" <Senator Albert Kookesh@legis.state.ak.us>, "Rep. Woodie Salmon"

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Feb 23, 2008

Dear Governor Palin:

I sent this email to Senator Hoffman and Rep. Edgmon asking them to expand the scope of the Railbelt Electrical Grid Authority Study.

It has become clear to me that the shortest distance to energy security for our villages is an electric line that connects us to the Railbelt Energy Grid and a yet-to-be constructed Alaska State-Wide Energy Grid.

Our energy policy needs to advocate that our regions across the state begin plans to build regional electrical energy grids. Then we should be working on a policy that will have the state planning and building an Alaska State-Wide Energy Grid that will ensure that all of our communities across the state will have a long-term, affordable, reliable source of energy.

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We have vast renewable and nonrenewable resources all across the state that can contribute electrical power to a State-Wide Energy Grid. The Northwest has immense coal supplies, we have geothermal resources all along the Alaska Range and Aleutian Chain, we have hydro power potential, natural gas reserves of untold magnitude, coal-bed methane, peat bogs, wind energy across the state, tidal resources, and many other acceptable alternatives that can have the entire state contributing power to a State-Wide Energy Grid.

With Susitna back on the menu of energy sources, it makes sense to expand the Railbelt Energy Grid to include all of the rest of the state of Alaska.

In the near term, while we are developing the plans to build a State-Wide Energy Grid, we need to cap our energy costs by initiating electrical and fuel subsidies to stabilize the ever increasing costs of natural gas, gasoline, heating fuel, diesel, aviation fuel, propane, and electricity. Energy costs are approaching unsustainable levels so the state must step in to keep our communities viable until we are all connected to a common State-Wide Energy Grid.

Thank you for your consideration on this very important effort to energize the entire state of Alaska.

Best regards,

Nels Anderson, Jr.
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Dillingham, Alaska 99576
907-842-2366
andora@nushtel.net

----- Original Message -----

Subject:RE: Connecting Bristol Bay to the Railbelt Energy Grid

Date:Fri, 22 Feb 2008 17:39:37 -0900

From:Nels and Dorothy <andora@nushtel.net>

Reply-To:andora@nushtel.net

Organization:Co-Man Services

To:Sen. Lyman Hoffman <Senator_Lyman_Hoffman@legis.state.ak.us>

Rep. Bryce Edgmon

<Representative_Bryce_Edgmon@legis.state.ak.us>

CC:Governor Palin <Governor@gov.state.ak.us>, "Lt. Governor Parnell"

<Sean_Parnell@gov.state.ak.us>, Commissioner Emil Notti

<Emil_Notti@commerce.state.ak.us>, Commissioner Tom Irwin

<tom.irwin@alaska.gov>, "Dep. Commissioner Marty Rutherford"

<marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>, Greta Goto

<smokd_salmon@hotmail.com>, Ev <everette.anderson@yahoo.com>

References:<47BF23DD.5070501@nushtel.net>

Feb 22, 2008

Dear Senator Hoffman and Representative Edgmon:

As Bristol Bay looks at its energy future, it becomes clear that we have to plan on connecting all of our villages to a common regional energy grid AND eventually into a State-Wide Energy Grid.

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The legislature appropriated \$800,000.00 to do a study on the Railbelt Energy Grid.

The Railbelt Electrical Grid Authority study was funded by a legislative appropriation of \$800,000 to study the concept of a Railbelt Electrical Grid Authority, an independent system operator, to manage and dispatch electric power on the Railbelt Grid. The web page addressing this can be found at <http://www.akenergyauthority.org/USOhomepage.html>.

I am asking you to consider expanding that study to make it a State-Wide Energy Grid Authority Study to connect all of our communities across the state. If Alaska is going to ever develop its communities across the state, we all have to be connected to a state-wide energy grid to ensure a reliable, affordable, and long-term source of energy

As the Railbelt utilities are economically regulated by the RCA, any interconnection would need to be approved by the RCA. There would need to be an agreement between all utilities providing power and state-wide utilities purchasing the power on rates and availability. This would need to be approved by the RCA as well.

One comment: now that Susitna Dam is under consideration again, any plans for a transmission line to SW Alaska should be a consideration in the sizing of the Susitna project.

In addition, with the prospect of a geothermal project being proposed by the Naknek Electric Association, Bristol Bay could be providing clean energy to the Railbelt and the rest of the state IF we are connected to the Railbelt Energy Grid and/or a State-Wide Energy Grid.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Delicious ideas to please the pickiest eaters. [Watch the video on AOL Living.](#)

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 10:03 AM
To: Francis; Shawn P SPC NGAK (DMVA Sponsored)
Subject: RE: Military_and_Veterans_Affairs

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 10:14 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Military_and_Veterans_Affairs

Web mail from: Shawn Francis
address: 3135 n Marcos Cir Wasilla AK 99654
907-746-5315

MESSAGE:

Governor:

I am the military Funeral Honors NCIOC For this fine state and I have just had some very upsetting news brought to my attention. There have been thousands of remains of vets found in basements and closets of Funeral homes across our Nation. I am writing to see if this is happening in our fine state that you or your Staff know of, and if so Would you as the governor of this Great State be willing to help me in fixing this.

I as Funeral Honors NCIOC for the state Find this very sad that this is being allowing to happen to our fallen Brothers and sisters to be treated this way. I take the job I do for this State in Funeral Honors very serious and think that no soldier should be put to rest without the respect of his/her country or state. In this case not yet being put to rest but setting on shelves awaiting their Honors that they are owed.

shawn.p.francis@us.army.mil

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 8:35 AM
To: PARNELL; S (GOV sponsored)
Cc: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR); Katz; John W (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: FW: Google Alert - Alaska Natural Gas Pipeline

The comment was made in a Reuters interview the other day - in the context of answering a reporter's question on what we can do with Pt Thomson.

I did say we always have the opportunity to legally challenge producers if they refuse to abide by provisions in the leases they've held for 30 yrs, for instance in the case of Exxon at Pt T.

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From: "PARNELL, S (GOV sponsored)" <sr.parnell@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 21 Feb 2008 08:16:44

To: "Katz, John W (GOV)" <jwkatz@alaskadc.org>

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Subject: Re: Senator McCain/Climate Change

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Subject: Senator McCain/Climate Change

In preparation for your meeting with Senator McCain, I have attached a memorandum prepared previously by Sam Bishop, and reviewed by DEC, that documents the impact of certain climate change policies on Alaska.

I doubt that Senator McCain will alter his position on climate change. However, you might get him to agree that Alaska presents certain unique circumstances that should be addressed in any federal policy.

Among other things, we are not on the national electricity grid, and we don't have as much flexibility as many other states to switch to alternative energy generation. Yet, through the climate change sub-cabinet, we are seeking to address climate change and greenhouse gas emissions.

It might also be interesting to mention our problem with coastal erosion and the need to relocate or protect a number of villages.

P.S.

Further regarding your meeting with Secretary Kempthorne, his staff has been touting federal OCS revenue sharing, and he may raise this as well. The State strongly supports this, as does the Alaska Congressional delegation, which has made various

attempts to enact legislation. However, OCS revenue sharing is problematic in Congress because of budget concerns (even though enacted for Louisiana, etc), and there is no evidence of support from federal OMB.

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From: AnneMarie Mattacchione [amattacchione@pnlchs.net]
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 8:29 AM
To: Smith; Lynne M (GOV); Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Cc: Dirk Shumaker; Mark Lackey; Kim Bergey; Debi Baldwin
Subject: Request to Meet with Governor Palin

Dear Ms. Smith:

It was a pleasure to meet you at the Governor's Mansion on the afternoon of February 4th, 2008. The reception provided to the Alaska Head Start Association will not soon be forgotten.

I had the pleasure of talking with Governor Palin during that reception and was encouraged by her commitment to get to know Alaska Head Start programs better.

As you are aware, the Governor demonstrated her commitment by allocating \$600,000 for Head Start programs to provide services to children on our wait list. We applaud her for making Alaska Head Start programs a priority in the budget. Unfortunately, the house sub finance committee did not support the increase.

There are many steps the Association is taking toward raising awareness about the importance of Head Start in local communities, the state legislator and the media.

On behalf of the Alaska Head Start Association, we would like to request a meeting with Governor Palin to discuss her perspective concerning the elimination of the \$600,000 allocation. It is our intent to support the Governor in her wish to increase the number of children receiving Head Start services throughout Alaska.

Thank you and I look forward to hearing from you soon.

AnneMarie Mattacchione
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Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 8:22 AM
To: Smith; Lynne M (GOV)
Subject: FW: State Chamber Capital Notes February 20, 2008

From: Wayne Stevens [mailto:wstevens@alaskachamber.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 6:07 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: State Chamber Capital Notes February 20, 2008

Alaska State Chamber of Commerce Capital Notes

www.alaskachamber.com

Wednesday February 20, 2008

1/3 of 90 Day Session Already Passed!

Session is moving along at a much quicker pace than in previous years. Many staffers and legislators are rather frustrated with the accelerated pace and schedule of committee hearings, budget subcommittees and floor sessions. Both Legislative bodies have scheduled additional meetings with both bodies often working longer hours and on weekends. Working with the Senate Labor and Commerce Committee, State Chamber staff has already spent multiple Saturdays, working through complex issues surrounding unemployment insurance.

Budget Subcommittees have been garnering the most attention of late. A number of the subcommittees held meetings all day Saturday and part of Sunday this past holiday weekend in order to close out their budgets. On the House side, final reports from budget subcommittees are due this week, with the full Finance Committee expected to wrap up the state's operating budget by the end of the week or early next week. Leadership in the House and the Senate are making it a priority to pass the operating budget early.

Budget

As proposed by Governor Palin, the state's operating budget is up considerably. Final numbers from the House and Senate will be available in coming weeks. Folks in the legislature are a little more conservative including many of the Democrats, who are advocating holding the budget firm with slight increases for inflation. Real wrangling will take place when legislators decide how much money to save and in which account. Expected surpluses as of the last revenue report, suggest that Alaska could have an additional \$3.5 to \$4 billion in surplus cash. The State Chamber has suggested saving money in the CBR while returning the budget to FY 06 number! rs with slight inflationary increases for each year afterwards.

90 to 120 Days

A few legislators have already mentioned a desire to change the 90-day session once the 2-year limitation on changing referendums ends. Expect legislation next year to return the legislature to the 120-day schedule.

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Gasline

As reported in our last capital notes section, we ended with, "It appears there is no clear resolution in sight." While this statement may still have some validity, we met with the Governor's office in order to get a better grasp of where the administration was going in regards to the Gasline. Under the previous administration, the focus was on putting together a simple contract with a few details mapped out, such as location of the gas, percentages for the state and how big the pipe was going to be, etc.

As this administration has clearly pointed out, there are so many variables to consider currently, and into the future, that it is nearly impossible to determine the scope of a contract until those variables are identified. The process as the administration sees it- is that we have a potential company that is willing to proceed with the certificate to build the line. Gaining a certificate to build will get the ball rolling on the planning, permitting and scoping of the entire project. That process alone will likely take 5-6 years. As the state reaches the next bench mark of gaining a certificate of approval, then companies interested in building, paying and negotiating for cost differentials will be approached to determine the best step forward for the state. As the administration put it, "we have to go down this trail in order to determine which path to take. The folks further suggested that without making some headway, we won't be able to make a proper choice when the time presents itself.

We look forward to the administration's current progress, but we will keep a watchful eye as things develop.

Governor Announces Town Hall Meetings on the AGIA Gasline Process

Governor Palin's gasline team has scheduled a series of 16 public town hall meetings around the state February 18-28 to update Alaskans on the efforts that are being taken to advance a gasline under the Alaska Gasline Inducement Act (AGIA). The meetings are to provide information and encourage Alaskans to make their voices heard by submitting written comments before the March 6 public comment deadline.

The town hall meetings will provide as much information as possible about how AGIA works, the applications that were filed under the Act and what will happen next. Following a presentation there will be a question and answer period.

The presentation will provide an overview of AGIA and describe the process that was used to determine whether the five applicants met the requirements to be considered for a license under AGIA. Members of the gasline team will also explain the evaluation process required by AGIA and how public comments will be considered.

The public is encouraged to submit written comments before the March 6 deadline, through the AGIA website, in writing or by fax. Details on how and where to submit comments are available at www.dog.dnr.state.ak.us/agia. The same website contains details about the meeting times and locations.

All meetings will be from 6-8 p.m. except for Barrow, which will be from 2-5 p.m. and Anchorage, which will be from 7 - 9 p.m. The remaining schedule of meetings follows:

February 20

Sitka - Harrigan Centennial Hall, Maksoutoff Room
Kotzebue - NWAB Assembly Chambers
McGrath - Cap'n Snow Center Assembly Room

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Ketchikan - Cape Fox Lodge, Mountain Room
Nome - Old St. Joseph's Church Hall
Bethel - UAF Kuskokwim Campus, Yup'it Piciryarit Cultural Center

February 22

Juneau - Centennial Hall, Hickel Room

February 25

Delta Junction - Community Center
Kenai - Kenai Peninsula College

February 26

Barrow - Inupiat Heritage Center
Dillingham - Dillingham Middle School Gymnasium

February 27

Fairbanks - Carlson Center
Kodiak - High School Commons

February 28

Valdez - Valdez Convention and Civic Center, Ballroom 1

State Chamber Annual Fly-In to hold Gasline Presentations

The State Chamber of Commerce is hoping as schedules are currently being configured to hold presentations on the natural gas pipeline by the folks in the know. TransCanada, administration representatives and a member of the legislature have all been invited offer their insights on the gasline process. If all the folks invited can make it, the format should be interesting and informative for Chamber members that attend.

Unemployment Insurance-SB 120

The State Chamber has been working diligently with Sen. Johnny Ellis on SB 120. SB 120 as originally introduced would have raised employer's contribution rates in order to increase the benefit payouts for those eligible for unemployment insurance. This bill is similar in scope to legislation from previous years in which we have continually been involved. After having multiple stakeholder meetings last year and multiple committee meetings this year, the State Chamber along with other business interests, have been able to reach an agreement on compromise legislation. Currently, the committee substitute will cost employers zero new dollars while providing modest increases for unemployment insurance (UI). The current UI program for disbursement of benefits uses tables that are close to 25 years in age no additional dollars for inflation. It has been a real pleasure for the State Chamber in working with Sen. Ellis and his staff to draft business friendly legislation.

We are ever watchful regarding bills that may have a negative impact on your business. Here is a short list of bills with great potential to impact your business.

HB 42 - Increases to Alaska Minimum Wage rate
HB 65-Personal Information and Consumer Credit
HB 125 - Long Range Fiscal Plan
HB 147 - Tourism Contract Matching Funds
SB 120-Unemployment Insurance
SB 117-Presumptive Coverage for worker's compensation
SB 245-Governor's Health care omnibus and certificate of need

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SB 147- Worker's Compensation Employer Liability
SB 160 - Mandated Health Insurance

State Chamber of Commerce

While there are a number of issues the State Chamber is working on, if there is an issue that is important to you and your business, please let the staff at the Alaska State Chamber of Commerce know of your concerns.

Following Legislation?

Any person can follow the legislative process and access new bills, committee substitutes or determine which legislator is on a particular committee in the Legislative Bill Action and Status Inquiry System (BASIS). You can see what committee a bill is in, when it will be heard, how committee members voted, and much more. You can also view all bills relating to your specific areas of interest by selecting "Subject Summary" from the menu on the right. Just click on the link below and bookmark it for later use.

<http://www.legis.state.ak.us/basis/start.asp>

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From: Potter, Janet [Janet.Potter@usdoj.gov]
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Subject: RE: Coeur Alaska Kensington Support Letter

Please send all correspondence to this e-mail address: supremectbriefs@usdoj.gov

Thank you.

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From:

The Juneau Chamber of Commerce
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To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
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Subject: FW: Sandy Sandvik

From: Lucky You...It's Sandy~ [mailto:aksmyles@gci.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 9:05 PM
To: Palin, Sarah H (GOV)
Subject: Sandy Sandvik

Hi Sarah,
I wonder if you remember me...Matt Sandvik's Mom.Sandy?
Well, just think that if you want to run for president, Im ready to
get out there and help you win! We need you in there to stir it up!
You ready? Anyway, I think you are doing an excellent job in your
position. Also, I believe you met a Soldier named Tony Drano in Iraq.
He was real proud. Has it on his my space. Anyway, thought I would share
it with you.....I don't know that you will get it but Hello and Blessings to YOU and YOURS!
Sandy Sandvik

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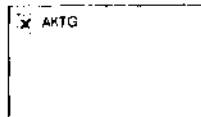
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A Note From Our President

As usual I am late getting my portion out on time. There is no reason other than struggling about what I want to focus on but to you. I have focused on our pre I have left out the most important per

It is hard to believe that in February of 1897 Apperson Hearst founded the National PTA. When they created this country to help eliminate the three evils of this country they had more than 100,000 members. They had more than they could have asked for, fathers, teachers, legislators and laborers. It was their mind and that was help the children.

Whether the year is 2008 or 1897 we have the same goals, and that is to protect and advocate for those issues that may be the same, but as the complexity of our concerns. We may have child labor laws, or mandatory immunizations, educational funding, NCLB changes, e

No matter what the challenge may be, we need educators and legislators to work together to be successful. It is with your help and support that National PTA has been able to advocate on behalf of Alaska's children. The support that National PTA has been able to provide through McLellan Birney and Phoebe Apperson Hearst then would develop and grow. Our membership has grown to over 6 million members and our organization continues to evolve for all children.

Al Tamagni Jr.,
Alaska PTA President

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Reflections Update

State judging for Reflections will be held on February 23rd in Anchorage. Finalists in each category will be notified by mail in March. The state Reflections awards program will be held on Friday, April 18, 2008 at the annual Alaska PTA convention in Fairbanks. Invitations will be sent in early April.

Tips for Treasurers

Please remember that all dues need to be submitted by March 31, 2008 to the Alaska PTA for both state and national dues. Also, if you have not sent in your insurance premium payment for 2007 - 2008, please remit it. As units pay their insurance, we forward their name and address to AIM Insurance to be issued a certificate of insurance showing the coverage for the current year.

Only those units that have paid their insurance and membership dues will be allowed to send voting delegates to the PTA Convention in Fairbanks on April 17 - 19, 2008. The membership chair will be notifying the units at the end of March as to the number of votes they have at convention in accordance with their membership that has been reported and recorded.

Legislative Priorities Survey Results

First let me say, **YOU ARE AWESOME! THANK YOU FOR PARTICIPATING IN OUR FIRST ON-LINE SURVEY!!!**

I hope you enjoyed this as much as we did. After canceling the Annual Issues Conference due to lack of attendance we were stumped on how to get input from members on what they would like to have as legislative priorities. The number of people who responded to the survey is triple the number of delegates that can physically come to the Issues Conference.

You had great comments and suggestions that will give the State Board of Managers direction. We adopted the changes recommended and our next step will be to develop "Talking Points" on each priority.

Click here <http://www.alaskapta.org/2008LegislativePriorities.pdf> to review the 2008 Legislative Priorities.

Next steps for you? Attend, if you can, the Legislative Fly In, March 4 & 5, 2008 to talk with your Senators and Representative in person. The Alaska PTA has a registration form and more information on the Advocacy page of our web site. You may have also received the information via email if we have your email address. Please do register so we can bring enough packets to Juneau for you to hand out and help you in any other way we can. This is PTA advocacy in action and is a legitimate expense for PTA boards.

If you cannot attend the Fly In, you still can contact your Senator and Representative by email or snail mail.

The Alaska PTA President, President-Elect, and Legislative Chair will be traveling to Washington D.C. to attend the National PTA Legislative Conference (funded by NPTA) and will be attending workshops concerning Juvenile Justice and No Child Left Behind so we will have current updated materials to pass on for your information.

Again, thank you for participating and you will find the complete results of the survey at <http://www.alaskapta.org/>

Paula Pawlowski, Legislative Chair

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"HEALTHY UNIT IN GOOD STANDING":

1. Current Officers List
2. Insurance Premium Payment
3. Membership List
4. Membership Dues
5. Updated Bylaws (should be updated every 5 years)
6. Annual Audit for the 2006-2007 school year
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We do need your financial support so we can continue to make a difference in education. Children everywhere need us more than ever! Your financial gift will be used wisely. We thank you for giving generously to benefit the children for soon they in turn, will give back what we have given them. Let us make sure they have been prepared well. To mail in a donation send to:

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Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 5:13 AM
To: Mary Becker
Cc: thenderson@coeur.com; dkerr@coeur.com; Gary.Droubay@Goldbelt.com; pgriffin@fs.fed.us; Johnson.Stephen@epa.gov; Susan.L.Murphy@usace.army.mil; Kevin.J.Wilson@usace.army.mil; Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored); Hartig; Lawrence L (DEC); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Kate_Williams@stevens.senate.gov; Nathan_Bergerbest@murkowski.senate.gov; Kevin.V.Kennedy@mail.house.gov; Connie_McKenzie@stevens.senate.gov

Subject: RE: Becker Letter for Solicitor General Feb 20081.doc

Importance: High

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Thank you.

From: Mary Becker [mailto:jmbecker@gcl.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 10:36 PM
To: Potter, Janet
Cc: thenderson@coeur.com; dkerr@coeur.com; Gary.Droubay@Goldbelt.com; pgriffin@fs.fed.us; Johnson.Stephen@epa.gov; Susan.L.Murphy@usace.army.mil; Kevin.J.Wilson@usace.army.mil; Governor@gov.state.ak.us; larry.hartig@alaska.gov; Joe_Balash@gov.state.ak.us; Kate_Williams@stevens.senate.gov; Nathan_Bergerbest@murkowski.senate.gov; Kevin.V.Kennedy@mail.house.gov; Connie_McKenzie@stevens.senate.gov
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February 19, 2008

The Honorable Paul D. Clement
Solicitor General of the United States
Office of the Solicitor General
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20530-0001

Re: Southeast Alaska Conservation Council et al. v. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Dear Solicitor General Clement:

I have been an Alaska Commercial Fisherman for over 40 years. During that time I have always been involved in the broad array of issues that could have an impact on the clean water and habitat that is vital to the health of my industry. Such is the case of the Kensington Mine located near one of our very successful salmon fisheries in Lynn Canal.

For nearly 20-years other Southeast Alaska Gillnetters and I have followed Coeur Alaska and Goldbelt in their efforts to open the Kensington Gold Mine and build a dock at Cascade Point. They have frequently requested our input to insure that the developments would have no impact on a valuable fishery. Our communications have been productive and resulted in a mutually acceptable project that was permitted by all the agencies in July 2005.

It was important that during construction, Coeur Alaska hired and contracted locally. In fact,

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over 50% of a plus 380 person work force was Native-affiliated. Unfortunately, those year-round, high paying jobs were halted by the injunction.

We ask that you join Coeur Alaska and Goldbelt Inc. and urge the Supreme Court to review the decision of the Ninth Circuit Court in which SEACC, Lynn Canal Conservation, and the Sierra Club sued the agencies for granting 404 permits to Coeur Alaska and Goldbelt. It is our opinion that the agencies were correct in issuing these permits and that the Ninth Circuit Court has made a questionable reading of the Clean Water Act in this case.

The decision by the Ninth Circuit Court vacating Goldbelt's 404 permit is a gross injustice to the intent of Congress when it enacted the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act providing these lands to Goldbelt with the intent that they be used for economic development and betterment of Goldbelt's stockholders. It is disappointing that SEACC, Lynn Canal Conservation and the Sierra Club are using this lawsuit to block Goldbelt's ability to develop its land in an environmentally responsible manner.

Sincerely,

Jim Becker
P.O. Box 240522
Douglas, AK 99824
jimbecker@gci.net
(907) 586-1900

CC:

Tom Henderson, Coeur Alaska
Dennis Wheeler, Coeur d'Alene Mines Corp.
Gary Droubay, Goldbelt Inc.
Pete Griffin, U.S. Forest Service
Mr. Stephen L. Johnson, U.S. EPA
Lieutenant General Robert L. Van Antwerp, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Colonel Wilson, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Governor Sarah Palin, State of Alaska
Larry Hartig, Commissioner, ADEC
Joe Balash, Special Staff Assistant to Governor Palin
Connie MacKenzie and Alaska Congressional Delegation

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 2:25 PM
To: Smith; Lynne M (GOV)
Subject: FW: Invitation to Research to Roadmap: Center for Women's Business Research's 2008 Symposium

From: Center for Women's Business Research [mailto:symposium@stovellmarketingpr.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 1:46 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Invitation to Research to Roadmap: Center for Women's Business Research's 2008 Symposium



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at our 2008 National Symposium,
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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 9:10 PM
To: Kraly; Stacie L (LAW); Kim; Anna C (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV); Leschper; Beth (GOV)
Subject: Re: may I sent the op ed to Zencey?

Thanks so much Stacie. We'll chop the reference to Privileged from the op-ed so we don't spend too many of our allotted 675 words explaining them all. Thanks much!

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From: "Kraly, Stacie L (LAW)" <stacie.kraly@alaska.gov>

Date: Wed, 20 Feb 2008 21:08:04

To: "Kim, Anna C (GOV)" <anna.kim@alaska.gov>, gov.sarah@yahoo.com, "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>, "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>

Cc: "Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>, "Leschper, Beth (GOV)" <beth.leschper@alaska.gov>

Subject: RE: may I sent the op ed to Zencey?

There are seven current lawsuits and one administrative appeal (listed below):

1. Fuhs v. Gilberston (Supreme Court)
2. Alaska Open Imaging v. Jackson (Supreme Court)
3. Dr. Bridges v. Jackson (superior court)
4. Dr. Bridges v. Jackson (admin appeal)
5. Mat-Su Valley v. Advanced Medical Centers (superior court)
6. Advanced Medical Centers v. Kobuk Ventures, Fairbanks Memorial and DHSS (superior court)
7. Fairbanks Memorial v. Advanced Medical Centers, Kobuk and DHSS (superior court)
8. South Anchorage Ambulatory Surgery Center v. DHSS (superior court)

There was one other appeal between Imaging Associates of Providence and DHSS, but the administrative law judge said Imaging Associates was not a physicians' office therefore they needed a CON. Imaging Associates did not appeal, and filed a CON in January of this year. The Kelly bill would resolve this issue in favor of Imaging Associates (as well as items 2, 3, and 4 on the above list).

More information than you probably wanted, but I was not sure what everyone was looking for vis-à-vis the status of the litigation. I can provide more if necessary.

Stacie L. Kraly
Chief Assistant Attorney General
Human Services Section
907.465.4164 (direct)
907.465.2539 (fax)

-----Original Message-----

From: Kim, Anna C (GOV)
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 7:57 PM
To: ExternalEmailgsp; Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Kraly, Stacie L (LAW)
Cc: Mason, Janice L (GOV); Leschper, Beth (GOV)
Subject: Re: may I sent the op ed to Zencey?

I think nine but I will defer to Stacie at Law.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
To: Kim, Anna C (GOV); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)
Cc: Mason, Janice L (GOV); Leschper, Beth (GOV)
Sent: Wed Feb 20 19:35:58 2008
Subject: Re: may I sent the op ed to Zencey?

Are there eight or nine CON lawsuits pending that involve the state and private sector?
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From: "Kim, Anna C (GOV)" <anna.kim@alaska.gov>

Date: Wed, 20 Feb 2008 16:11:54

To: ExternalEmailgsp <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>, "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>, "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>

Cc: "Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>, "Leschper, Beth (GOV)" <beth.leschper@alaska.gov>

Subject: RE: may I sent the op ed to Zencey?

Touched base with Sharon on Privileged or Personal Material Redacted and after that good to go.

Anna Clark Kim
Special Staff Assistant
Office of the Governor

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 4:03 PM
To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)
Cc: Mason, Janice L (GOV); Kim, Anna C (GOV); Leschper, Beth (GOV)
Subject: Re: may I sent the op ed to Zencey?

Janice has the last couple of changes and we need to check on Privileged or Personal reference.
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From: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>

Date: Wed, 20 Feb 2008 15:29:07

To: Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Subject: may I sent the op ed to Zencey?

Sharon Leighow

Deputy Press Secretary

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From: Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=EFAGERSTROM]
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 2:30 PM
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com; 'Todd'
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: Phase 2 Governor's House Water Pipe Replacement Project June 1- August 15, 2008

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Erika

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From: Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 12:18 PM
To: Sarah Palin
Cc: Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Galvin; Patrick S (DOR); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR); Balash; Joseph R (GOV)
Subject: FW: Governor Palin - . A-PIC

Governor - This woman called the other day stating that she had approached the gas line team (commissioner's) and they had told her to pursue this through you and that her idea was worth looking into. I have let Ms. Moore know that it has been received and delivered. Janice

-----Original Message-----

From: April Moore [mailto:aprilmoore@starband.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 8:04 AM
To: Mason, Janice L (GOV)
Subject: Governor Palin - . A-PIC

Dear Governor Palin,

My first thoughts, I bring this to you because time is short if this concept is to work. As we saw last night, the Federal government would like to direct how Alaska does business. I am so frustrated with the notion that we have to hold out our hands and beg for money to build our roads and bridges! Our delegation in Washington has worked for decades to get money for the Knik Arm Bridge, just to have it shot down in a political fever and catch phrase Bridges To No Where.

In a way we deserve it, because Alaskans, to date, have given up revenues that could have been ours, we could have had billions more for our oil. But now is a new day.

The following is just a rough idea, I know it needs the expertise you and your staff could work out.

This has the potential to be bigger than the Permanent Fund. It took a dynamic governor of that day to get it through. You are just such a person, and I can see this as something that could be looked on in just the same light. A HUGE leap froward for Alaskans and our Constitution!

Feel free to let me know what you think would improve it.

I would like to continue to be involved in this, and if we go forward, eventually serve on the board of directors.

Thank you for your serious consideration.

Sincerely,

April Moore

ALASKA - PIPELINE INVESTMENT CORPORATION A-PIC

Acronyms are often the key to helping people promote a good idea. Take AGIA for example...everyone in the state knows what that means, they don't actually know how it affects them, but it has a familiar sound and feels right....The legislature agreed, and passed it. Now we are all trying to figure out how it affects us, and getting GAS TO SOUTH CENTRAL..after all isn't that what we want!

The current administration was elected for that very reason, the people wanted gas - ALASKAN GAS for ALASKANS, and after that we want our gas to get to market to ensure future generations of Alaskans have secure jobs and economic stability.

The problem is, the only company that has submitted a bid under AGIA that has met all the requirements, will not be building it in state, as most of Alaskans want....OUT go all those jobs, but worst of all, the value added economic stimulus that having the gas transported through a gas line built and OWNED by Alaskans would secure.

That's right folks - I propose that Alaskans form an ALASKAN PIPELINE INVESTMENT CORPORATION. The purpose of which is to build the pipeline

from the North Slope, to Valdez.

The core of this concept is:

- Every man, woman, and child that is a legal residence of Alaska by December 31, 2008 would hold one share.
- Money now invested out side of Alaska, OUR MONEY would be brought home, and invested in a project that would multiply it many times over the way it is currently being invested.
- Once gas is being transported through the pipeline, dividends over and above the Permanent Fund Dividend, would be paid to each Alaskan shareholder.
- Just like with shareholders in native corporations, these shares would be retained by the people they were issued to, or their heirs.
- As with the ALYESKA PIPELINE Corporation, which was formed by the big oil companies to build the Oil Pipeline, tariffs would be charged for all gas going through the pipeline, and paid out to all shareholders. The oil companies have, over the years, earned BILLIONS on the oil just because it was transported through their pipeline.
- A-PIC shareholders would earn a yearly dividend on each cubic foot of gas transported through OUR pipeline! This could be in the thousands of dollars each year. 35,000,000,000,000 - that's 35 TRILLION Cubic feet of known gas reserves being transported through OUR pipeline paying dividends to all shareholders. The current estimates being closer to 240-260 trillion cubic feet. Dividends could be a % of the revenue, the rest could be used much like current sources, some to the general fund, some to the permanent fund, and some in inflation proofing.
- The new oil leases on Federal grounds in the Chukchi Sea will bring

little if any revenue to Alaska, unless we collect tariffs on gas going through OUR pipeline.

ALASKANS the time is now! We can not afford to lose high paying jobs as just happened in Kenai with the closing of the Agrium plant! We can't afford the high cost of heating our homes, and we can't afford the high electric bills brought about with declining gas reserves here in south central. Most of all we can't afford to be at the mercy of the oil companies or even the federal government in developing our natural resources.

A-PIC , building a pipeline for our future!

April Moore

Trapper Creek, Alaska

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From: Colberg, Talis J (LAW) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=TJCOLBERG]
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 3:41 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: FW: Halcro Blog

Dear Governor Palin, This just came in. Talis

From: Otto, Christina L (LAW)
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 3:39 PM
To: Barry, Elizabeth J (LAW)
Cc: Colberg, Talis J (LAW)
Subject: Halcro Blog

The blog about my "resignation" no longer appears on Halcro's webpage.

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From: Ruaro, Randall P (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=RPRUARO]
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 3:05 PM
To: 'mayor@ci.wasilla.ak.us'
Cc: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'; Richards; Frank T (DOT); Von Scheben; Leo (DOT); Keith; Gordon C (DOT)
Subject: Road / Transportation issues

Dear Mayor Keller:

It was a pleasure meeting you today. Please consider discussing the following issues at your next meeting with Central Region Director Gordon Keith:

1. The best location for a Fern Street connection to Knik Goose Bay Road;
2. The details and plans for the East Susitna Avenue Extension and Airport Boulevard, Phase I; and
3. Whether DOT is the proper entity to receive funds for the Knik-Goose Bay road traffic study.

I am forwarding your document on Moose-Vehicle Accident Mitigation to DOT's highway safety section.

The Senate Bill that would establish a grant program for libraries is SB 119 and is sponsored by Senator Olson. The bill is presently in the Senate Rules Committee.

Randy Ruaro

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From: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SWLEIGHOW]
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 3:47 PM
To: Otto; Christina L (LAW); Lefebvre; Richard A (DNR); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); 'Sarah Palin'; 'fek9wnr@yahoo.com'; 'Kristan@KristanCole.com'; Bailey; Frank T (GOV)
Subject: HOLY CRAP Retraction and apology

From: Andrew Halcro [mailto:ahalcro@ptialaska.net]
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 3:44 PM
To: Andrew Halcro
Subject: Feb 21: Retraction and apology

This afternoon we posted two different emails from sources associated with the dairy industry and Matanuska Maid who informed us that a State's Assistant District Attorney resigned over improper conduct with regards to the Creamery Board.
We have since been told the attorney did not resign.
Governor Palin's Deputy Press Secretary sent us this email at 1:33pm.
"Tina Otto, Assistant Attorney General for the State of Alaska, has not resigned. The Creamery Corporation has its own private counsel who continues to represent the corporation."
We sincerely apologize for printing these emails which were not correct.
In the past we have been fairly liberal about publishing emails from our sources at Matanuska Maid because they have always been spot on.
Regardless, we take full responsibility for the posting and assure our readers that in the future we will no longer publish raw emails on any subject.
While there is a fine line on blogs between opinion and fact, we strive to make sure our readers clearly understand where that line is with every blog.
We failed your trust today and we apologize.
Andrew

8/26/2009

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From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=KYPERRY]
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 1:08 PM
To: 'Sarah Palin'; Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
Cc: Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Bailey; Frank T (GOV); 'fek9wnr@yahoo.com'; Kelly; Russell T (GOV)
Subject: FW: What is Happening??

FYI, from Halcro's website at the bottom of this email. Just wanted to give you a heads-up in case it is brought up today; didn't want anyone to get blindsided since Tina learned of this from Senator Green's office. Sharon is aware and between her and Tina, we'll take care of it.

From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 12:55 PM
To: Otto, Christina L (LAW); Austerman, Joseph M (CED); 'kccole@mtaonline.net'; Nix, Raymond G (DNR); Lefebvre, Richard A (DNR); Simons, Leta L (DNR)
Cc: Barry, Elizabeth J (LAW); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: RE: What is Happening??

Tina/All-

This is really getting out-of-hand. Something needs to be done to call him on this. He should not be allowed to defame people with outright lies. If it's not corrected, then people that read it will not know otherwise. I'm copying Sharon Leighow in on this. Sharon, bet he didn't call you to verify information like you asked him too.

And, as Kristan already answered the CC legal counsel is still working for the corporation.

As usual his facts are all wrong. He got your name right and that was about it.

Kris

From: Otto, Christina L (LAW)
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 12:41 PM
To: Austerman, Joseph M (CED); 'kccole@mtaonline.net'; Nix, Raymond G (DNR); Lefebvre, Richard A (DNR); Simons, Leta L (DNR); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Cc: Barry, Elizabeth J (LAW)
Subject: What is Happening??

I was quietly plugging away on trying to finish my outline regarding the dissolution process when Ginger from Senator Green's office called and told me to take a look at Halcro's Blog. This is what it says:

FLASH: Assistant Attorney General quits due to activity at Mat Maid

We received the following two emails less than thirty minutes apart this morning regarding a breaking situation with Governor Palin's Creamery Board.

Received at 10:43am

Just an FYI on the Mat Maid situation. Tina Otto, Assistant Attorney General who has been handling all the new Creamery Board affairs is resigning. She had been trying to keep the 5 Palin hand picked board members "coloring inside the lines" but is quitting because this bunch is running wild and doing things illegally. She does not want to get trapped by their wrongdoings after she has warned them that what they are doing is illegal. How many people fired or quitting will it take for this administration to realize her board is full of conflict of interest and law breaking? Is there no oversight at all?

I think I still have a job. ☺ Beyond that, I, of course, don't represent the Creamery Board. Did the CC board make a decision to find new counsel? I can't even imagine what prompted this.

8/26/2009

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From: Myrna Brown [mbrown@cchita.org]
Sent: Friday, February 22, 2006 12:13 PM
To: Myrna Brown; amalia.monreal@searhc.org; A Duncan Munro; anbjnu4@ak.net; angel.culp@goldbelt.com; Andrea Cadiante-Laiti; Alfred McKinley, Sr.; andrea.doll; ajaspen@alaska.net; Newman; Anthony (HSS); Donnelly; Bernice M (EED); bobloesch@gci.net; connie.munro; Norman J. Vonda; danthea; Doloresa Cadiante; Brown; Darrell (HAL); Don Bremner; Corpuz; Elena (DOA); Susettina; gary.droubay@goldbelt.com; Georgia Finau; Rhonda Hickok; Ishmael Hope; info@hunaheritage.org; jfll; Bennett; Janice A (DFG); Jerry Ann; Mason; Janice L (GOV); Jerry Bennett; Judy Mason; Catherine V. Thomas; Jackson; Patsy A; Clifton; Kelly L (GOV); kate.kokotovich@sealaska.com; Kathy Miller; Kolvig; Keitha J (ACS); Clark; Kimberly L (LAA); Squires-White; Lynn (DOA); SueAnn Williams; lkadinger@thrha.org; Mike Early; marietta.hopkins@sealaska.com; Michele Metz; memartin@gci.net; Miller; Mary E (DOL); Molly Yerkes; michael.jenkins@searhc.org; Maureen Brown; McDonald; Susan E (DOA); Norman Sarabia; norman.flood@goldbelt.com; Korting; Nancy A (LAW); Norman J. Vonda; Percy Martin; peter@kootznookoo.com; pexendine@gci.net; Ruaro; Randall P (GOV); Ron Williams; Renee Culp; Rep_Andrea_Doll@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Richard_Foster@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Lindsey_Holmes@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Harry_Crawford@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Woodie_Salmon@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Bill_Thomas@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Peggy_Wilson@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Kyle_Johansen@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Beth_Kerttula@legis.state.ak.us; Gomez; Shelly (HSS); Palin; Sarah H (GOV); Davis; Bettye J (LAA); Kookesh; Albert (LAA); Stedman; Bert K (LAA); Stedman; Bert K (LAA); Donaldson; Parnell; Sean R (GOV); shareholders@hunatotem.com; Sandoval; Tammy K (HSS); Vicki Soboleff; Diane Carrier; Lyle James; Maureen Brown

Subject: February 27th; Wednesday

**Everyone Welcome
Native Issues Forum**

Featuring speakers Representative Andrea Doll and
Representative Mary Nelson

February 27th; WEDNESDAY
Beginning approximately at 11:45 AM
At the ANB Hall located
320 West Willoughby Avenue

Questions 463-7105 or 586-2049

Buffet style lunch provided at a reasonable cost; \$10 or soup & salads for \$6.

| CHICKEN ADOBO | TUNA CASSEROLE |
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| Steamed rice | |
| Green beans | |
| Fry bread | |
| Desert: Upside down cake | |
| Corn chowder | Potato salad |
| | Hoagie sandwich |
| Coffee/tea and juice service | |

Let others know; thank you!

10/29/2009

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From: Leschper, Beth (GOV) [beth.leschper@alaska.gov]

Sent: Friday, February 22, 2008 12:44 PM

To: ExternalEmailgsp; Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored)

Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)

Subject: Contrary Interview Questions

Here is a short starting point list of what Joy Fowlin of PBS' To The Contrary plans to ask during your interview tomorrow:

Questions for Gov. Palin

1. Alaska is known for being a kind of macho state, why do you think they elected both a woman governor and US Senator?
2. How do you balance your duties as governor and raise four kids at the same time?
3. Your son enlisted in the Army on September 11th of last year. How has his decision influenced the way you feel about the war in Iraq?
4. What do you want to leave this position accomplishing? What changes do you want to see happen in Alaska to help out families?
5. Your name has been thrown out there for VP. Do you have aspirations to be in the national spotlight?

(Saturday, Feb. 23 at 2:30 pm in the Justice Room -- this information is in your binder.)

Beth

10/29/2009

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From: PARNELL, S (GOV sponsored) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SRPARNELL1]
Sent: Friday, February 22, 2008 8:48 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: Randy Ruedrich

RR called your ANC office today looking for me. I returned his call and he wanted to clarify that I would be willing to speak at the Repub convention on Fri morning March 14. He said in an earlier conversation that you were welcome to speak at the same time as I (that was the first question I asked him a week ago when I was invited to speak, whether you had been invited as well--to which I didn't get a definitive answer). That's when he had said you were welcome to speak ahead of and at same agenda time as me--so he avoided telling me straight out whether you had been directly invited. Were you??

Unknown

From: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com> [gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Friday, February 22, 2008 7:13 PM
To: Russ Kelly
Cc: Mike Tibbles; Allison Nyholm; John Katz; Sam Bishop
Subject: Re: Real ID - Edu. funding - CON repeal

Thank you

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

-----Original Message-----

From: "Kelly, Russell T (GOV)" <russ.kelly@alaska.gov>

Date: Fri, 22 Feb 2008 18:59:30

To: Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Cc: "Katz, John W (GOV)" <jwkatz@alaskadc.org>, "Nyholm, Allison J (GOV)" <anyholm@alaskadc.org>, "Bishop, Samuel T (GOV)" <sbishop@alaskadc.org>, "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>

Subject: Real ID - Edu. funding - CON repeal

Governor,

Attached are some documents you won't be able to open from your blackberry, so I've cc'd the D.C. office just in case they are able to pass them along. I don't consider any of the documents attached to be of high importance. Here's the brief rundown.

Pages 1-2: House Joint Resolution 19, by Rep. Coghill, expresses strong opposition to the Real ID Act. Rep. Coghill was told that you were at NGA and that Real ID might come up in discussion. He wanted you to know of the very latest effort in the legislature.

Page 3: Rep. Keller's notes on why he cannot support the education bill, HB 273, which is likely up for a floor vote on Monday. I met with him today and he is seriously concerned that you know exactly why he's opposing the bill and...most importantly...that you are not blindsided by his vote. His background with education won't allow him to support the bill and he scratched out some notes to explain why. He will not use that specific page for his speech on the floor.

Page 4: These are Rep. Keller's notes he plans to read on the house floor when a vote on HB 273 occurs. They are tame compared to his notes from the previous page. The bottom line is that he'll vote no - but, he'll do anything possible to protect you in the process. He couldn't emphasize that point enough.

Page 5: Rep. Keller's message on the healthcare bill, specifically the attempt to repeal CON. I'm not going to explain further, as I believe you've already told Tibbles your decision on the way forward.

Russ

Russ Kelly

Legislative Director

Office of Governor Sarah

Palin <<http://gov.state.ak.us/>>

State of Alaska

(907) 465-3999

**Please note my new e-mail address: russ.kelly@alaska.gov

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From: Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]
Sent: Friday, February 22, 2008 6:54 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: Re: Detail?

One of his own talks. Let me know what you find out. Janice

Sent using BlackBerry

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
To: Mason, Janice L (GOV)
Sent: Fri Feb 22 18:19:10 2008
Subject: Re: Detail?

How does he know? I didnt see him inseattle.

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>

Date: Fri, 22 Feb 2008 18:18:38

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Cc: "Irwin, Tom E (DNR)" <tom.irwin@alaska.gov>, "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)"
<mike.tibbles@alaska

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Friday, February 22, 2008 6:19 PM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: Re: Detail?

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To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Cc: "Irwin, Tom E (DNR)" <tom.irwin@alaska.gov>, "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>

Subject: Re: Detail?

Maybe he is worried that you are not traveling with detail out of state - is the only thing I can think. Janice

Sent using BlackBerry

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

To: Mason, Janice L (GOV)

Cc: Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)

Sent: Fri Feb 22 18:12:42 2008

Subject: Fw: Detail?

Any idea what he means?

-----Original Message-----

From: Walt Monegan

To: Governor Sarah Palin

Sent: Feb 22, 2008 4:57 PM

Subject: Detail?

Sorry, Governor, but I didn't see your protection detail here in Seattle.

Walt

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Friday, February 22, 2008 6:16 PM
To: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
Cc: Kim; Anna C (GOV); Jackson; Karleen K (HSS)
Subject: Re: Status of the Gov's Health Care Bill

We need to stick with Keller on trying to get the repeal.

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>

Date: Fri, 22 Feb 2008 18:14:43

To: Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Subject: FW: Status of the Gov's Health Care Bill

Governor,

The House Health & Social Services Committee is hearing our health care bill tomorrow morning 9:00 am. Anna and Stacy Kraly have met with all the committee members and there is a real interest in changing the CON process but still not for the full repeal. Wes Keller remains the only member on the committee supporting the full repeal.

I am forwarding Anna's email
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Mike

From: Kim, Anna C (GOV)

Sent: Friday, February 22, 2008 1:57 PM

To: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)

Cc: Jackson, Karleen K (HSS); Hill, Sherry (HSS); Butler, Jay (HSS-CDC); Hogan, William H (HSS); Streur, William J (HSS); Howdysheil, Cheryl E (HSS); Kelly, Russell T (GOV); Rowland, Mindy B (GOV); Kraly, Stacie L (LAW)

Subject: Status of the Gov's Health Care Bill

Mike,

Stacie and I finished up our meetings with both Senate and House HSSS committee members except for Rep. Fairclough and Senator Cowdery. Attached is our spreadsheet with comments on what we heard from those members and short bullets from before for you and the Governor.

Summary:

They will not give the Governor the repeal. They want a compromise that doesn't repeal but still adheres to the Gov's core principles such as increasing consumer choice, manage rising costs, using market forces to determine to respond to changes in demographics etc, putting health care in to the hands of doctors and not lobbyists and lawyers,

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Conclusion:

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Anna

Anna Clark Kim

Special Staff Assistant

Office of the Governor

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Friday, February 22, 2008 6:13 PM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Re: interview request next week

Yes

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>

Date: Fri, 22 Feb 2008 12:54:55

To: Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Cc: "Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>

Subject: interview request next week

Governor -

Bloomberg (print) would like a phone interview with you next week after you get back from NGA. They want to focus on oil issues. May I set something up for Thursday or Friday - 15 minutes?

Sharon Leighow

Deputy Press Secretary

Deputy Communications Director

(907) 269-7450 Anchorage

(907) 465-4031 Juneau

(907) 240-7943 cell

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Sent: Friday, February 22, 2008 6:14 PM
To: Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored); ExternalEmailgsp
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: Re: Hoover

Got it.

How's the weather?

----- Original Message -----

From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
To: Leschper, Beth (GOV); ExternalEmailgsp
Cc: Mason, Janice L (GOV)
Sent: Fri Feb 22 18:12:34 2008
Subject: Re: Hoover

I'll do q and a. Yes

----- Original Message -----

From: Leschper, Beth (GOV)
To: ExternalEmailgsp; Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Cc: Mason, Janice L (GOV)
Sent: Fri Feb 22 11:08:24 2008
Subject: FW: Hoover

I had some mail bounce back and wanted to make sure you'd received this information about the Hoover question and answer.

Beth

-----Original Message-----

From: Leschper, Beth (GOV)
Sent: Friday, February 22, 2008 9:01 AM

To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored); Mason, Janice L (GOV)

Subject: RE: Hoover

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To: ExternalEmailgsp; Mason, Janice L (GOV); Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)

Sent: Fri Feb 22 08:45:36 2008

Subject: RE: Hoover

Do you want to participate in a Q&A after your remarks?

It IS optional and up to you.

Beth

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From: Barbara Williams [barbw.aiwa@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, February 22, 2008 3:10 PM
To: Lisankie; Paul F (DOL); Smith; Lynne M (GOV); Palin; Sarah H (GOV)
Subject: problems with information request

Paul,

I haven't been able to reach you to discuss this but i have had three injured workers request their annual reports. The staff in the division Susan Oldacres, and Bob Briggs do not even know what an annual report is. I finally got Susan to go to Ted Burkhart to get one of the requested reports. Could you please explain it to your staff. Also we are interested in knowing if the regulation has changed that would prevent injured workers from seeing and obtaining their annual reports. Thank you for your assistance in this matter. It would also be helpful if the division staff knew about the information within the division. It is ver common to be turned down for various request. I also have to describe to them who may have the information and that it has been requested before. Some times I even have to describe certain book shelves and books contained in the division that hold some of the information. It would be helpful for the staff to know about these things also when people need information from the division. Just the other day a person needed certified documents, we had to explain what certification of documents was and how it was done. I really thought that the division staff was trained in this stuff. Also while on the subject, subpoenas are hard to obtain because no one wants to sign them and they seem unsure if they should be issued. If people cannot get the information they need for their cases it does appear that due process is in tact. Due process is derailed in many ways and these are just a few. There are many more. If any of you really want to meet and discuss these and other issues please contact us so that we can have meaningful discussion.
Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,
Barbara Williams

10/29/2009

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Friday, February 22, 2008 10:32 AM
To: Smith; Lynne M (GOV)
Subject: FW: [usdlc] SPECIAL EVENT- Podcasting: What does it take?

-----Original Message-----

From: Sandy LaPlante [mailto:slaplante@mindspring.com]
Sent: Friday, February 22, 2008 6:41 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: [usdlc] SPECIAL EVENT- Podcasting: What does it take?

PODCASTING: WHAT DOES IT TAKE?

FREE SPECIAL EVENT

For a version of this announcement in color, click here:

<http://www.in8-design.com/usdlc/usdlcnews-podcasting.html>

Mark Your Calendars!

Tuesday

February 26, 2008

7pm EST

Podcasting is the hottest tech tool in education these days but what does it take to do it? Can non-geeks join the fun?

Find out on Tuesday, February 26, at 7 pm EST when you have an opportunity to meet with Bill Lovin, known as "North Carolina Schools' Videographer" since he's filmed documentaries in classrooms and schools for over twenty years and the founder of EstuaryLIVE, a live, interactive webcast field trip to coasts around the country. Bill is also the builder of the Bookhenge on NC State's Wolflands Island in Second Life. We will use the conferencing capabilities there to meet. Search for "NC State Wolflands" to find the island and head to the Bookhenge. You can't miss it.

For non-Second Life citizens, listen to the Internet Radio stream at

<http://64.34.173.110:8050> and chat with us at

www.chatmaker.net/chatap/rooms/livepodcast

This session is a special event planned for the "Learning and Teaching with Web 2.0 Tools" course offered by the New Literacies Collaborative (Friday Institute at NCSU, NC DPI, and NC's Center for 21st Century Skills), but there's plenty of technology here so everyone can join us. Bill is developing a Second Life Island for USDLC and a module for USDLC's Literacy to Learn on podcasting so this will be a great preview.

To learn more, contact Cris Crissman at ccrissma@dpi.state.nc.us.

Bill Lovin, Videographer, Marine Grafics, specializes in Underwater, Natural Science, and Environmental Media Production. He has filmed in over fifty countries around the world producing programs for broadcast, non-profit, and educational markets. Also, a technology visionary, he was honored by The Tech Museum of Innovation in 2002 as an Intel Environmental Award Tech Laureate for his creation of EstuaryLIVE, www.estuarylive.org.

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Sent: Friday, February 22, 2008 10:31 AM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Friday, February 22, 2008 10:29 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: barbara burgett
address: po box 433 sutton AK 99674

MESSAGE:

PLEASE RUN FOR PRESIDENT!!! SOON !!!

crystaljhobbs79@hotmail.com

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Friday, February 22, 2008 9:27 AM
To: loisc@mtaonline.net
Subject: RE: Other

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 5:04 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Lois Conway
address: P. O. Box 94 Palmer AK 99645
907-746-0424

MESSAGE:

Re: Your comment on Don Young

It is very important when one is under investigation that they make NO comment about the said investigation. For you to come out and say he "owes us an explanation" is totally inappropriate. He cannot talk about it. I'm very tired of the assumption of guilt whenever someone is under investigation. Especially for you to say this. Really too bad.

Thanks for listening.

loisc@mtaonline.net

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Sent: Friday, February 22, 2008 8:42 AM
To: Lopez; Thomas M (GOV)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV); K Perry Yahoo
Subject: Flt

When is the seattle to DC flt, and what number is it? We're in ketchikan but dont have boarding passes for next leg from Seattle.

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Sent: Friday, February 22, 2008 6:08 AM
To: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: Re: NGA

Thanks!

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From: "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Date: Fri, 22 Feb 2008 06:08:12

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Cc: "Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>

Subject: NGA

In communication with both NGA and John Katz, it does not appear that the Presidential democrat candidates will be in D.C. If I find out otherwise, I'll let you know.

Hope you have a great trip.

Kris

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From: Bailey, Frank T (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=FTBAILEY]
Sent: Friday, February 22, 2008 9:30 AM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: FW: Appointment to Governor's Council on the Homeless

Good stuff...getting more of our "peeps" in. Jeff will work hard.

From: Bailey, Frank T (GOV)
Sent: Friday, February 22, 2008 9:26 AM
To: 'Jeff Wheaton'
Subject: RE: Appointment to Governor's Council on the Homeless

Great stuff Jeff,

Do good things. Governor's honored that you've been so willing to serve.

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From: Jeff Wheaton [mailto:Jeff.Wheaton@Ideafamilies.org]
Sent: Friday, February 22, 2008 12:26 AM
To: Bailey, Frank T (GOV)
Cc: ftb907@yahoo.com
Subject: FW: Appointment to Governor's Council on the Homeless

Hey Frank:

Here's a huge "thanks" for helping me get this appointment. I am so psyched to serve on this council with all these wonderful people, and I look forward to becoming a part of the solution concerning our homeless challenge here in Alaska. Please let Governor Palin know I really appreciate her appointing me.

Oh, I sat behind your wife a couple Sundays ago at the 1:30 service. She says she remembers having a husband once! ☺ j/k (She conveyed you were in Juneau and very busy during the session.)

Jeff

From: Dan Fauske [mailto:dfauske@ahfc.state.ak.us]
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 10:51 AM
To: suzi_p@awaic.org; swilks@acmhs.com; Judith.A.Crotty@wellsfargo.com; bill_in_alaska@yahoo.com; Jeff.Wheaton@ideafamilies.org; bkazama@thrha.org
Cc: jeff@mhtrust.org; joseph.schmidt@alaska.gov; karleen.jackson@alaska.gov; walt.monegan@alaska.gov; barbara.thompson@alaska.gov
Subject: Appointment to Governor's Council on the Homeless

Good morning,

On behalf of the Governors' Council on the Homeless, I'd like

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to welcome you as newly appointed members. You join myself and the other Council members, Commissioners Joe Schmidt, Corrections, Karleen Jackson, Health and Social Services, Walt Monegan, Public Safety, Barbara Thompson, Education and Jeff Jessee, Executive Director of the Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority in a very important effort to provide housing to those Alaskans who find themselves homeless, or on the verge of becoming homeless.

Homelessness is not a character flaw. It is the consequence of the many important social issues that face us; substance abuse, mental illness, domestic violence, lack of affordable housing, catastrophic illness and the movement towards lower paying service related jobs in the economy. We have legislation moving through the legislature to create a housing trust account within AHFC to address the needs of the homeless and affordable housing in general. HB324 and SB231 have been heard in House and Senate HESS committees and Senate Finance. We look forward to our first hearing in House Finance soon. We will keep you updated as to the progress of this legislation and the scheduling for the first Governor's Council meeting.

In the mean time if you have any questions, please give me a call at 330-8452, or call Mark Romick, Director of Planning and Program Development at 330-8274 or mromick@ahfc.state.ak.us and he can give you background information on the Council and its work to date.

Sincerely,

Dan Fauske
Chairman
Governor's Council on the Homeless

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From: Kreitzer, Annette E (DOA) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=AEKREITZER]
Sent: Friday, February 22, 2008 9:49 AM
To: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
Cc: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Subject: PSEA likely to start ads

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From: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=MATIBBLES]
Sent: Friday, February 22, 2008 6:27 PM
To: Sarah Palin
Subject: FW: Labor Negotiations Update: APEA-SU

Good news on the supervisor's union contract. The union accepted our offer (based on the arbitrator's award). No more nasty ads or emails from this unit but I hear now the trooper union may start running ads (as soon as this weekend) about their salaries.

Mike

From: Commissioners Office, DOA (DOA sponsored)
Sent: Friday, February 22, 2008 5:33 PM
To: SOA All Employees Executive Branch
Subject: Labor Negotiations Update: APEA-SU

Dear State Employee:

The Department of Administration has reached a tentative agreement on a three-year contract with APEA-SU covering the period July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2010. The offer now goes to the membership for ratification, with final votes expected to be tallied on March 12th, 2008. Highlights of the offer are available at http://www.state.ak.us/local/akpages/ADMIN/news_archives/PR080222_APEA_SU_TA.shtml

A complete copy of the offer is available at http://www.state.ak.us/local/akpages/ADMIN/news_archives/PR080222_APEA_SU_Articles.shtml

Union members with questions about any contracts or proposals should address them to their union representatives.

Sincerely,

Annette Kreltzer
Commissioner

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From: Lloyd, Denby S (DFG) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=DSLLOYD]
Sent: Friday, February 22, 2008 3:46 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Cc: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Saxby; Kevin M (LAW); Katz; John W (GOV)
Subject: RE: Heads Up--Attorney Client--Wolves/Caribou

Oops; of course I meant Board of Game in the first sentence below. DL.

*Denby S. Lloyd
Commissioner
Alaska Department of Fish and Game
P.O. Box 115526
Juneau, AK 99811-5526
907-465-4719*

From: Lloyd, Denby S (DFG)
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Cc: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Saxby; Kevin M (LAW); Katz; John W (GOV)
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Governor:

As you know, the Department of Fish and Game and the Board of Fisheries are currently engaged in predator (wolf) control plans that involve public permittees using aircraft in five areas in the state. These are associated with implementation of the intensive management law (and the same-day airborne law).

There is also statutory provision (AS 16.05.783 (e)) for employees of the department to be directly involved in predator control, using aircraft (including helicopters), if authorized by the Board of Game or the commissioner.

The Board of Game is meeting in Fairbanks beginning February 29, and lasting through March 10. One discussion item will be development and implementation of an additional predator control plan to assist caribou calf survival in the South Alaska Peninsula herd (near the Port Moller area). The situation for the SAPCH is extreme, and the plan would likely entail department employees deployed in helicopters during a two-week period just after calving (e.g., June 1 – 15) to remove any wolves that would threaten to prey on the calves during this particularly vulnerable period. This is more like a biological emergency than a general attempt to increase prey abundance. And, there is no readily available public in the area to conduct effective efforts.

I believe that this is an instance where the department's judgment is called for, and I am prepared to exercise that judgment based upon biological guidance from our wildlife management experts, discussions with the Board of Game, and legal advice from our AG's office. I do not believe that you as Governor need to be directly involved in the decision-making. But, of course, even this proposed plan will generate controversy and questions about whether or not you support such an exercise. I remember last spring you asked rhetorically, "Why do I have to make these decisions?" In this case, Governor, I believe you do not need to make the decision. However, I want to make sure you are comfortable with the possibility, and also with having me as commissioner exercise this judgment and authority.

Attached is a more detailed summary of the situation. Unless I hear differently, we will be presenting this plan to the Board of Game at the end of this month (actually, early in March). Once it is presented to the Board, it is public.

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Please let me know if you have objections or specific concerns.

Thanks, DL.

Denby S. Lloyd
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Sent: Friday, February 22, 2008 12:55 PM
To: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Kelly; Russell T (GOV)
Cc: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Subject: SB 201 Online Checkbook

Division of Finance Director Kim Garner related this to me:

Second topic – Michelle Sydemann of Senator Wielechowski's office told me yesterday that Governor Palin recognized her as his staffer, pulled her aside, and told Michelle that she (the Governor) believes this transparency into government (SB 201) should be passed as law.

As an FYI, I had advised Senator Wielechowski that I believed his bill to be redundant to the effort already underway. We are sorting through the confidentiality issues still with the Online Checkbook, and legislation at this point might be premature until we sort all of that out. In addition, as new types of information become available in the future, the State will have to amend the law to include (or not) those types of information.

I just think it will be hard for the State to walk away from providing information publicly once the public gets used to using it. But, if the Governor's position is that she supports the legislation, I will work with Senator Wielechowski's office to try to make it a bill that won't constrain our abilities in the near future.

Kim also said South Dakota is wrestling with the issue and she has been contacted to explain our low-tech, low-cost approach. More and more people are becoming aware of the Online Checkbook, and Kim is contacted sporadically by Alaska reporters trying to figure out how to sort. I can imagine that means that there will be a story or two in the future, as we all thought would happen.
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From: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SWLEIGHOW]
Sent: Friday, February 22, 2008 12:55 PM
To: 'Sarah Palin'
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: interview request next week

Governor -

Bloomberg (print) would like a phone interview with you next week after you get back from NGA. The want to focus on oil issues. May I set something up for Thursday or Friday - 15 minutes?

Sharon Leighow
Deputy Press Secretary
Deputy Communications Director

(907) 269-7450 Anchorage
(907) 465-4031 Juneau
(907) 240-7943 cell

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From: Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]
Sent: Friday, February 22, 2008 9:06 AM
To: govpalin@alaska.gov
Subject: FYI Email

FYI Email -- Janice

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Friday, February 22, 2008 1:37 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: james dunlop
address: 3602 W. Demaree Circle Wasilla AK 99654
907-357-6971

MESSAGE:

Governer Palin, Hi Sarah, I am best friends with your neighbor up on the lake, remember us bringing in all those lunker silver land locked salmon \$ Trout last summer in our old 50's boat. Anyways, YOU are the Governor of MY STATE. Thank you for coming to MY Christmas Dinner at W.H.S.. It was a beautiful thing. Hopefully next year I will be able to give back and help out.

JUST WANTED YOU TO KNOW THAT YOU WILL ALWAYS HAVE MY SUPPORT AND ANYONE WHO IS MY FRIEND. I DEVOTE THIS TO YOU FOR YOUR HONESTY, COMMITMENT, DEDICATION AND BECAUSE YOU ARE NOT A SELL-OUT. YOU STICK TO YOUR GUNS SARAH AND YOUR GUNS WILL STICK TO YOU. WE ARE YOUR GUNS, THE PEOPLE OF ALASKA. IT'S OUR STATE AND YOU ARE ONE OF US. YOU MAKE US FEEL THAT WE MEAN SOMETHING. DON'T EVER GIVE UP ON YOUR CONVICTIONS OR BELIEFS. THANK-YOU SO VERY MUCH FOR RESTORING OUR FAITH IN "THE ELECT". YOU ARE ONE IN A GODZILLION TRILLION QUADBILLION :-}!!! WE LOVE YOU... James (jim)

jed31858@mtaonline.net

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Byers, Gail Y (LAW)

From: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com> [gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Friday, February 22, 2008 8:53 AM
To: John Katz
Cc: M Nizich; Sam Bishop
Subject: Re: Secretary Kempthorne/2nd Amendment/Parks and Refuges

Thank you

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From: "John Katz" <jwkatz@ALASKADC.org>

Date: Fri, 22 Feb 2008 12:49:24

To: "Governor Sarah Palin" <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Cc: "Mike Nizich" <Mike.Nizich@alaska.gov>, "Sam Bishop" <sbishop@ALASKADC.org>

Subject: Secretary Kempthorne/2nd Amendment/Parks and Refuges

This issue will probably come up during your meeting with Secretary Kempthorne. So, I wanted to make sure that you saw the attached material which describes the Secretary's response to 51 Senators, including Senators Stevens and Murkowski, who wrote him concerning carrying of firearms in national parks and wildlife refuges.

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From: Balash, Joseph R (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JRBALASH]
Sent: Saturday, February 23, 2008 4:32 PM
To: Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR); Galvin; Patrick S (DOR); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: Fw: Exxon's PTU Proposal

Steve's response...

----- Original Message -----

From: Steve Porter <stevenbporter@gmail.com>
To: Balash, Joseph R (GOV)
Sent: Sat Feb 23 16:28:03 2008
Subject: Re: Exxon's PTU Proposal

Joe,

I agree with you about expectations from the governor. I don't expect her to be perfect every time. I also figured she did not have time to be briefed otherwise she would not have stumbled over the DNR process. My only concern was that she sounded adversarial enough about the proposal that I thought the administration/DNR were considering rejecting it before it even got a chance of a thorough review. That is really my only concern.

Regarding the 3.5 bcf/d pipeline - my point was, without Point Thomson a 3.5 bcf/d pipeline is what you will get. - in essence the wrong size pipe. When Point Thomson does come on-line it ends up taking up cheap expansion space in a smaller pipe instead of participating in the first open season allowing TransCanada to build a larger pipe which would allow for a lot more cheaper expansion for future explorers.

Regarding issues being worked out in the next couple of months, there are a couple of issues I think can be worked out in the next couple of months and Point Thomson is one of them. Exxon has submitted a Plan of Development. DNR normally would be able to review the plan and respond in that amount of time. Luckily the court also put a deadline on DNR so that they will be required to come to a decision in a reasonable amount of time.

With the Point Thomson issue behind us we will be able to focus on the main issue which is what can the state do to enhance the likelihood of a successful open season.

By the way my initial briefing to her the night before would have been the one I wrote to you. Five minutes after I read the POD I could have sent you that message, in fact I almost did. It is pretty straight forward analysis and political strategy. For her it was just a missed opportunity.

Steve

On Sat, Feb 23, 2008 at 3:27 PM, Balash, Joseph R (GOV) <joe.balash@alaska.gov> wrote:

Steve,

I have not had a chance to listen to the governor's press availability so I am not sure what is troubling you. However, I can tell you that there has been limited opportunity for the DNR team to review and brief the commissioner, never mind the governor. There was an initial review the night it came in and then we hit the road for the townhall meetings. I don't see how she can be expected to provide the type of comments you suggested without the benefit of such briefing.

Another thing I can tell you with confidence is that Exxon will absolutely get an opportunity to present their remedy with fair consideration. But you have hit the nail squarely on the head with regards to one of the difficult questions the commissioner will have to answer: can we take Exxon at their word? I'm glad I don't have to make that decision.

As for sizing the pipeline, my reading of the TransCanada application suggests that they would consider 3.5 bcf/d in commitments a successful open season. I think we have talked about this previously. The volume committed by each company matters, sure, but so does the term. As Cathy foerster said to the resources committee in the senate, PBU can supply that without much problem. As you and I both know, however, that volume can't be sustained for 15 years let alone the 25 years the initial recourse rates are likely to require. There will have to be other sources of supply necessary and PTU can one of those sources. Its too bad that Exxon and BP haven't been exploring in NPR-A like Conoco. If they had, they might be better positioned to participate in the open season.

Undoubtedly, there are a whole bunch of big, moving parts that need to be coordinated and PTU is one of them. I just hope you aren't expecting them to be worked out in the next two months...I hope we can agree that is an unrealistic expectation.

Joe

----- Original Message -----

From: Steve Porter <stevenbporter@gmail.com>

To: Balash, Joseph R (GOV)
Cc: Wilken, Jessica M (GOV)
Sent: Sat Feb 23 14:15:29 2008
Subject: Exxon's PTU Proposal

Joe,

I listened to the Governor's press availability a couple of times and read Wes Loy's ADN article regarding Exxon's Point Thomson Unit proposal. I want to make sure the governor understands what DNR requested in their Director's decision regarding the 22nd POD and what Exxon proposed most recently. Basically what Exxon proposed far exceeds what DNR requested and what DNR represented to the court it needed from a Point Thomson POD. The governor's statement sounded like she did not understand that the state stood up to Exxon and won.

She missed the opportunity to claim victory. Weeks or months from now when DNR approves Exxon's plan it will be old news. She could have said, "It looks like Exxon finally listened to the State and proposed a plan to produce Point Thomson. The Exxon proposal is in response to a deadline from the court process. Without taking them to court we may never have seen this proposal. We are still concerned that Exxon will perform what it proposes. DNR will hold a hearing on the proposal on March 3rd. They will make the decision if the plan is sufficient and if they can be assured that Exxon will perform what it proposes.".

It is clear from talking to Exxon that they will perform what is in the plan. This proposal not only gives DNR what it requested from Exxon, it allows Point Thomson to be ready to show up to a binding open season within a couple of years.

I heard Kurt Gibson respond to someone recently in response to the AG's office saying that Point Thomson litigation won't be settled until 2010 or 2011, he said that first gas is about 10 years away and Point Thomson will certainly be settled by then. (not his exact words but the intent of his words). The impression he left was that Point Thomson litigation is not a problem, but he is wrong.

The real Point Thomson question is will it be ready for the first binding open season prior to the submittal of the FERC application. Someone is forgetting that the size of the pipeline will be determined by the binding open season. You end up with a different size pipe if you only have Prudhoe Bay gas to commit to the binding open season. If any of the DNR folks tell you differently they will have to make suggestions that can easily be refuted.

One of my biggest concerns with an open season, which I have not talked about publicly, was Point Thomson. For a 4.5 bcf/d pipeline to be a reality, we need both Point Thomson and Prudhoe Bay to show up at the open season. Exxon's proposal gives the state what it needs and gives the TransCanada a chance for success at their open season.

If the state finds a way to snatch defeat out of the jaws of victory, there can still be a successful open season, but it will just require a smaller pipeline and less value to the state, - not a good way to maximize the benefits to the people of the state.

As you can tell from this e-mail, I think that the Exxon proposal is a good solution. The state needs to assure itself that Exxon will perform what it proposes, but beyond that, this meets everything the state told the court it needed. I have negotiated with Exxon many times and when they say they give you an unconditional commitment to perform, they will do it.

Please convey my concerns to the governor. I would be glad to talk to you or her or DNR any time you want regarding this issue either from a legal or project standpoint.

Jessica asked me to cc her on this e-mail; so, I have done so. She is trying to make sure my communications get to you while you are on the road. Good job standing up to Exxon and getting a reasonable plan for moving forward.

Thanks for considering my thoughts.

Steve Porter

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Saturday, February 23, 2008 1:52 PM
To: Ruaro; Randall P (GOV)
Subject: Re: Scanned from IM6530Exec [E-Mail_Recipients]

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From: "Ruaro, Randall P (GOV)" <randall.ruaro@alaska.gov>

Date: Sat, 23 Feb 2008 13:53:59

To: ExternalEmailgsp <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Subject: RE: Scanned from IM6530Exec [E-Mail_Recipients]

Governor:

Commissioner Von Scheben did tell me most of the funding (over a million dollars) would come from the Denali Commission. I can double check and get exact numbers for you on Monday.

Randy

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Saturday, February 23, 2008 1:48 PM

To: Ruaro, Randall P (GOV); Von Scheben, Leo (DOT)

Subject: Re: Scanned from IM6530Exec [E-Mail_Recipients]

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<leo.vonscheben@alaska.gov>

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Commissioner. Are there further steps to gauge local support that you would like DOT to take before moving ahead?

Randy

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Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Re: Texas

Hold off til i can sched a few things at once w that trip. Thanks

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From: "Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>

Date: Sat, 23 Feb 2008 09:37:11

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Cc: "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Subject: Re: Texas

I will confirm with RGA on Monday for this one. They also need your boot size as they will be having cowboy boots made for you. Janice

Sent using BlackBerry

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

To: Mason, Janice L (GOV)

Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)

Sent: Sat Feb 23 04:20:36 2008

Subject: Texas

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Saturday, February 23, 2008 8:34 AM
To: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Leschper; Beth (GOV)
Subject: Re: Todd's info

Thanks. They must be behind.

Dont think he's having a whole lotta fun so far... I wish this were more his cup of tea.

I had a great meeting with McCain and a few other govs. Let me know if anyone hears from other campaign camps. Thanks.

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From: "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Date: Sat, 23 Feb 2008 08:28:33

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com, "Leschper, Beth (GOV)" <beth.leschper@alaska.gov>

Subject: RE: Todd's info

Todd asked the picture to be changed out a couple months ago. Beth did send a new professional photo and bio corrections to NGA, but it was never changed. She did again - with an updated bio - earlier this week.

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Sat 2/23/2008 8:11 AM

To: Leschper, Beth (GOV)

Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)

Subject: Todd's info

Todd still needs his info (for things like NGA) to be updated. They're still using an old snowmachine picture of his- the other spouses have professional photos and updated bios.

So- we need to schedule that for him. Thanks

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Saturday, February 23, 2008 4:21 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
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